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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 25TH JANUARY, 1872.

號五十二月正英 港香

[PRICE \$21 PER MONTH.

Intimations.

Aprivate.

Jan. 24, Una, Brit. str., 960; O. E. Smith, Saigon 16th January, 22,000 piculs Bicc. -JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. · Jan. 24, ALBAY, Brit. str., 360, E. Thebaud,

Jan. 24, Falk, North German schooner, 184; Rosa, Sourabaya 2nd December, bound to Amoy, Oil Cakes, &c.-CARLOWITZ

Jan. 24, Charlotte Christine, North Ger. bk., 386. Pisher, Shanghai 19th Jan., 7,400 piculs Rice.—BOURJAU, HUBENER

Jan. 24, Pepita, Span. bk., 269, Erquiaga,

Jan. 24, HERMINE, North German bark, 275. Plambeck, Chinkiang 16th January, 6,400 piculs Rice.—Bourjau, Hubener

Ariberren, Loilo 29th December, Sapanwood.—Remedies & Co Jan. 25, Douglas, Brit. str., 515, Toppin, Foochow 22nd January, Amoy 23rd, and Swalow 24th, General.-D. LAPRAIK &

Jan. 24, Aldebaran, for Cape St. James. Jan. 24, RADAMA, for Bangkok. Jan. 24, Cenes, for Bangkok. Jan. 24, GRENADIER, for Saigon. Jan. 24, Ottawa, str., for Shanghai.

Cienzanecs. 24th January.

Aurora, for Saigon. Mcteor, for Whampoa. Cheops, str., for Chinkiang.

Per Una, str., from Saigon,-12 Chinese. Per Pepita, from Manila,-Messrs. Levinis and Saldwonds. Ver Charlotte Christine, from Shanghai, -17 Chinese.

Per Camilla, for San Francisco,-Mr. H. S. Loring,

Co.'s steamship Emsu, to-day, at noon :-For Singapore. - Mesers. Nicholson and W. G. Brodie. For Mudras .- I Private 13th Native Regi-

For Penang.-1 Chinese. For Calcutta. 1 Native servant. For Brindisi -- Messra. D. Munro, J. T. Alex. ander, L. Prior, J. Somerville, W. M. Strachan, R. D. Robison, G. A. Lindsay and H. H.

For Southampton.-Messis, G. T. Lamb, I B. Way, and Lieut. G. C. Helme.

on 23rd January, had strong N.E. monsoon throughout; passed the steamship Douglas, bound into Amor.

The Spanish bark Pepila reports left Manila on January 15th, and experienced strong N.E. monsoon and high sea till arrival, The British steamer Una reports left Saigon

on 16th January, experienced very strong monsoon and heavy head sea throughout the pas-

stiff N.E. monsoon and high sea throughout the passage, attended with very thick weather, the sun not having been seen for the last four days.

The North German bank Charlotte Christine reports left Shanghai on 19th Jan., bound to Whampos, had N. and N.E. very strong monsoon; in the Formosa Channel had a gale, hoveto the vessel for twelve hours, with close reef main topsail, it then moderated a little, but still a high sea continued till arrival.

The North German echooner Falk reports left Sourabaya on December 2nd, bound to Amoy, experienced strong N.E. and Northerly monsoon with very high sea, and current setting to the West 30 miles per day, put into this port for repairs on account of being leaky. had to throw part of the cargo overboard to lighten the vessel, to get the holes out of the

> J. M. ARMSTRONG. Sundry Articles and Furniture.

LL persons having Claims against Lum-A TAR-KEE, of Hongkong, are requested to turnish particulars thereof, with a view to their being examined and settled, to Mesers. EDMUND SHARP & TOLLER,

7d 149 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1872. VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED,

THIS Company, with its Head Office at Hongkong, and Agencies at the various Treaty Ports in China and Japan, is prepared SUBSCRIBEDCAPITAL-5,000,000of Dollars. to issue Policies of Insurance, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,

Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$60,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

SAIL MAKING in all its branches, at his old place in Duddell Street, and solicits the patronage of the Public. He has on hand a fine assortment of 8 and 10 ounce RAVINS DUCK, suitable for Boat Sails

or Awnings: * 858 Hongkong, 30th April, 1869,

PUBLICATIONS.

THE CONSPIRACY CASE.

REGINA v. ABDOOL MOUSSA AND NOOR MAHOMED CAMIESA.

TN the Press, and will be published in a few A.L. days, in 8vo., price 50 cents, the recent Articles that appeared in the Hongkong Daily | TIHE SAIGON STEVEDORE AND Press and the China Mail respecting this case, with an appendix containing a full Report of the Trial, and the principal evidence taken be. fore the CHIEF-JUSTICE in the Bankruptcy matter of ABBOOL RAHMAN JAMAL, and at the Magistracy.

Hongkong -Messrs. LANE, URAWFORD & Co.

Mesars. Chesson & Woodhall, Booksellers, Mesers. DORABJEE JUMSETJEE & Co., Book- Arbroath. tf 85 Hongkong, 11th January, 1872.

Banks.

CAPITAL-Tis. 2,500,000, in 25,000 Shures of Tle. 100 each;

THE BANK OF CHINA,

Tle, 25 per Share payable on allotinent, and the remainder in such sums and at such times as the Directors may determine, but so that at least three months' notice shall be given of every

WITH POWER TO INCREASE TO. Tis. 5,000,000.

Provisional Committee.

O. C. Behn, Esq., Messrs, W. Pustau & Co. FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE, Esq., Messre. Framjee Hormusjee & Co.

A.A. HAYES, JR., Esq., Messra, Olyphant & Co. C. J. King, Esq., "

Messes, Chapman, King & Co. R.W. LITTLE, Esq. Messrs. Little & Co.

J. A. MAITLAND, Esq., Mesers: Thorne Brothers & Co. D. REID, Esq.,

Messis, Reid & Co. Standing Counsel.

R. W. M. BIRD, Esq., Barrister-at Law. Secretary to the Provisional Committee, JAMES GILFILLAN, Esq.

TT is proposed to establish in Shangbai A - a Limited Banking Company, with the above title, in the belief that there is not only room, but actual necessity, for the additional facilities which such an institution will afford to the large local, coasting, and foreign trade which centres in this port. The great extension of steam communication both h sea and river, and the oreation of telegraphic connections, since the existing Local Bank was founded, have greatly added to the importance of Shanghai, until it has become the great depot or distributing point for the trade of Northern and Central China; but, while it seems desirable that Shanghai should be the head-quarters of the new Bank, and its direction on the spot where the principal interests are involved, a local Committee will be formed in Hongkong for the pro-

The success of other public companies in Shanghai and Hongkong, and the evidence of a large sum of money seeking investment in China, encourage the belief that the proposed Capital for this Bank will be readily subscribed; many influential native merchants have already come forward as active promoters and supporters of the undertaking, and the Committee look for a very valuable constituency from Chinese

The legal constitution of the Bank is: engaging the consideration of the Committee, and reference has been made to London and elsewhere for the best legal advice upon the subject; and it is understend that operations will not be commenced until the necessary arrangements have been completed, when further information will be laid before intending Sharebolders. In the meantime, applications for shares are invited, until the 15th April, 1872, and should be made in the subjoined form, and addressed to the Provisional Committee, care of the Secretary, JAMES GILFILLAN, Shanghai.

> FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Provisional Committee of "THE BANK OF CHINA." Gentlem en.

.....request that you will be pleased to allotsbares of One Hundred Taels (Tis. 100) each in the above-named Bank, and.....agree to accept such shares, or any less number which may be alloted to (such allotment not to be made before the Bank has been legally constituted as a limited Company, or as a Corporation), and......agree to pay a call of Twenty-five Taels (Tls. 25) per share on allotment, and further calls as may bedeemed necessary by the Directors.

.....also agree to confirm the acts of the Provisional Committee, pending the appointment of a permanent Board of Directors, and to subscribe to the Deed of Settlement, when called on to do so.Gentlemen.

Your obedient Servant

(name)..... (address).....

No application for abares will be registered if sent otherwise than in the above By order of the Provisional Committee,

J. GILFILLAN, Sccrétary.

Shanghai, 17th January, 1872.

LIONGKONG & SHANGHAL BANKING

Court of Directors:-Chairman-Hon. R. Rowett. Deputy Chairman T. PYKE, Esq.

L. R. Belilios, Esq. " Julius Menke, Esq. A. Jonet, Esq. Wm. Lemann, Esq. S. D. Bassoon, Raq. G. F. Weller, Esq. H. Melchers, Esq. Managers;—

Hongkong-James Greig, Esq., Chief Manager. Shanghai - David McLean, Esq. London Bankers-London and County Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED.

per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On Fixed Deposits:-For 3 months' 2 per cent, per annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits-granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange Pile, de rendre tout secour nécessuire et posousiness transacted. Drafts-granted on London, and the chief des Douanes à leur arrivée à Amoy. commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager,

Hongkong, 9th September, 1871, LIGHTERAGE Co.,

BALLAST DISCHARGED AND CARGO STOWED BY EXPERIENCED HONGHONG MEN. GALL & SKINNER, Managers.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Hongkong and Chins by Mesers. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, Jaruary, 1867.

REPAIRING AND SPARRING VESSELS CLEANING AND PAINTING IRON SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

THEIR LARGE GRANITE DOOK, & average spring tides can receive Vessels of 16 to 17 feet draught. It has a CAISSON GATE, AND POWERFUL CENTRIFUGAL

And an Engineers' work-shop fitted with Lathas and Tools, driven by steam. Iron and Brass Foundries, Boiler-makers shop, a large Smithy, and Carpenters' and Boat-builders' sheds. All

Their two smaller GRANITE DOCKS can receive, at spring tides, Vessels drawing 12 feet. Spars, Timber, and other Dock-yard material

THE above granite floored DOCK, of the L following Dimensions, viz: Length, 300 feet. Breadth at Bottom, 40 feet, is capable of receiving Vessels drawing 13 to 16 feet, as the state of the Tides will allow. The Dock runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

The above premises comprise a large Machine-Shop, containing a WITHWORTH'S 12-INCH SCREW CUTTING

GAP LATHE. DEILLING AND SCREWING MACHINES. A LARGE SMITHY, &c., &c., &c. Large Godowns are on the premises for STOWAGE OF CARGO, &c., &c. A large TINE, Stock of Woods, Metal, &c., &c., always on hand. The Dock Steam Tug Woosung is available at all times to tow vessels to or from Sea, at cur-

J. S. LAMONT. Superintendent.The list of Charges for lighting or remetaling vessels can ne obtained from Messrs. NORTON, LYALL & Co., Hongkong, Messrs. Lane, Charreond & Co., Shanghai.

THE

HEAD OFFICE-1, ROYAL EXCHANGE Buildings, London. Bankers.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, Nicholas-Lune, Lundon, and its Branches. Underwriter. Sccretary. John Joseph Tidd.

TAURING each year it is proposed to pay the Shareholders, Half-yearly, upon their paid-up Capital, interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum; and, so soon as practicable after the expiration of each year, a Profit and Loss Account will be made up, showing the results of the business, due provision being made for all outstanding risks.

ing, with the interest to be paid, as explained Office), en above, 10 per cent. to the Shareholders. Before any further division of Profits takes place amongst the Shareholders, one-fourth, say 25 per cent. of the residue, will be rateably TURE, consisting of Damask Covered CHAIRS

divided amongst those Insurers out of whose COUCHES, TABLES, PIANO, ENGRA business Profits have been made during the VINGS, MIRROR, CURTAINS, Dining The undersigned, baving been appointed NOTS, CHANDELIER, WARDROBES, Iron Agents for the above Company at this Port, BEDSTEADS, Marble Top WASHSTANDS Shanghai, Foodlow, Hankow, and Yokohama, and SERVICES, GLASS and CROOKERY

are preparted to accept Marine Risks at cur- WARE, Electro PLATED WARE. GILMAN & Co.,

COAST OF CHINA.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The lighthouse is 63 feet in height from base to vane. The tower is painted black, with the exception of the parapet, and window facings, which are of granite unpainted. The Lightkeepers' dwellings and surrounding wall are

A/ASTERS of Vessels passing near the IVL island when bound into Amoy, are requested to note any Signals that may be made to them from the Island, to render assistance if necessary and possible, and to report the same to the Commissioner of Customs on their

arrival at Amoy. A. M. BISBEE. Divisional Inspector. Custom House.

Harbour Master's Office.

VIS est donné aux navigateurs qu'à partir A. du 15 comant le feu du phare de Chapel Island a été établi. L'appareil est Dioptrique, de premier ordre et à feu blanc fixe varié à intervals d'une demie minute par des éclats de lumière. La bauteur du plan focal est de 227 pieda anglais au dessus de la haute mer. Saporté est de 22 miles marins en temps clair, La tour a 63 piede anglais de hauteur de la buse à la girouette; elle est peinte en noir, à l'exception du parapet et de la facade des fenetres qui sont de granit non peint. Les logements des gardiens et les murs environnants son On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 peints en blanc. Le phare est situé par Lati tude N. 24 10 18, et par Longitude E.

> ES Capitaines de navires passant auprés de L'ile se rendant à Amoy, sont priés de that day. remarquer les signaux qu'on neut leur faire de sible, et d'en faire le rapport au Commisaire

Douanes d'Amoy, Bureau du Capitaine de Port, 16 Novembre, 1871. A. M. BISBEE, 3m 20071 Inspecteur Divisionaire. NOTICE.

ROM this date, there will be no fee charged By order, for Policies issued by this Company. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,

tf 1877 Hongkong, 1st November, 1871. LANE, ORAWFORD & Co. have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of BOKER'S BITTERS in China-and purchasers are warned to beware of Spurious imitations.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned with sell by Public Auc-THIS DAY. the 25th January, 1872, at noon, At his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, -Barrels P()RK.

Barrels BEEF. Australian BUTTER, in Ting. Cases OLIVE OIL. Unses VERMOUTH. KEROSINE OIL. FIRE IRONS LOOKING GLASSES. BLACK CLOTH, ALPACCA, SOCKS

BELTS, &c. One case of China Artificial FLOWERS. Sundry FURNITURE, comprising:-TA-BLFS, CHAIRS, COUCHES, WARD-ROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, MIRRORS, PICTURES, CHANDELIERS, Oil LAMPS

> TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. J. M. ARMSTRONG. 169 Hongkong, 24th January, 1872.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co: will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales' Room

Queen's Road, TO MORROW. the 26th January, 1872, at noon,— An Invoice of Crystal OENTRE PIECES and FLOWER STANDS; TUMBLERS, Wind GLASSES, Finger GLASSES, and Crystal Paper WEIGHTS for Photographs. Barnes' JAM. Chedder CHEESE, Preserved MEA'T and SOUP, John Bull's and Patent

5 Mille Manila CIGARS, November, 1870. 50 Doz. Cora BROOMS. FILTERS. White ZINC, White LEAD, Black. Green,

177 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872. PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions

to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY. the 27th January, 1872, at 2 P.M., At the Cigar Depot of Mesers. PAGE & Co. Queen Road .-The whole of the STOCK IN TRADE.

Smoking TOBACCO, of different Manufuc-Glass Show CASES. COUNTERS, GASALIERS, COPYING

PRESS, &c., &c. 1 Large Am. Tobacco Cutting MACHINE. TERMS OF SALE. - Cash before delivery in bas ceased. Mr. FREDK. DELANO HITCH, and Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots. Mr. HENRY DE COURCEY FOREES are admitted with all faults and errors of description; at pur- partners in our firm from this date. chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG.

FURNITURE SALE.

ARQUES & Co. have received instruc-IVL tions to sell by Public Auction, at the residence of HENEY FUSEIL, Esq., corner of Out of the Profits will first be paid an addi- Hollywood Road and Old Bailey Street, (oppotional 5 per cent: on the paid-up Capital, mak- site the Hongkong and China Gas Company's

SATURDAY, the 27th January, 1872, at 2 o'clock P.M.,-The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNI. TABLE, CHAIRS, SIDEBOARDS, WHAT-

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the full of the hammer. 170 Hongkong, 17th January, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION. HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.

I ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. bave received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

the 31st January, 1872, at 2 P.M. residence.— Drawing Room SUITE, Card TABLES, CHAIRS, PICTURES, PIANO, Dining TABLE, WHATNOTS, SIDEROARD. CROOKERY and GLASS WARE, ELECTRO PLATED WARE, BEDSTEADS, WARD

ROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, WASH. A very Handsome Lady's SEDAN CHAIR. TERMS OF SALE-Uash before, delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description at

171 Hongkong, 24th January, 1872. - MESSRS, BOURNE & Co. AVE received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION. At the Godown No. 28 A,

WEDNESDAY.16th March, at 10 o'clock A.M.,-Two 12-pdr. Mazzle Londing Whitworth Steel Tempered RIFLED GUNS, with Fixed THIS Company grants Policies on Marine Carriages and Ammunition complete. Yokohama, 6th January, 1872.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

in accordance with the 36th Clause of the and after the 1st January, 1572; shall be re-Articles of Association of the Company, the gistered as Shareholders, in the Company's Fourth Call of Twelve Dollars and Fifty Cents Books. per share is payable on the 31st December current, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. ING CORPORATION. Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged on all calls paid after

L NOEL BLAKEMAN, 2087 Hongkong, 5th December, 1871. CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE

By order.

MHE DIVIDEND of Dollars Four Hundred and Fifty (\$450) per Share, declared at the Sixth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders beld this day, will be PAYABLE on or after 30th Inst. Dividend Warrants can be had at the Office of the Compuny, Queen's Road, on application.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., General Agents. 1m 2234 Hongkong, 27th December, 1871. P. BENNETT W. H. HENRIQUES. D. H. TILLSON & Co. RAKERS, COMPRADORES NAVAL CONTRACTORS;

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. NA R. OSCAR HARTMANN having withdrawn IVA from our firm by mutual consent, his interest and responsibility therein terminated on the Slat December, 1871. The business will be continued under the same style na before. Mr. F. W. HUBENER and Mr. F. HERRMANN are from this day admitted as partners in our

LEHMANN, HARTMANN & Co. Hiogo-Osako, January 1st, 18.2. THE undersigned have mutually entered into THE Steamship partnership as Honso and Land Agents, Rent Collectors, and Collectors of Debts, &c., &c., under the firm of BARRINGTON & AL. J. Hogg, Master, will have immediate despatch

Distraints for Rent executed, an I Money procured on Morigage. In all details connected with the above business the public may rely on. due attention being given.
T. W. BARRINGTON. THOS. ALGAR. tf 144 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

Office removed from No. 47, Wyndbam Street, to the Store of Messrs, F. BLACKHEAD & Co., Queen's Road West.

Agents in Suigon. ALEXR. GAIR & Co. Saigon, 12th January, 1872. NOTICE MAR. H. SEYMOUR GEARY, Mr. Tobias Pim, Ordinary Half yearly Meeting of Shareholders day admitted partners in our firm in Hong- AND SHANGHAT BANKING CORPORATION on Pietro.....

tf 1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

R. CARL ROBERT MEUSER is this day admitted a partner in our firm at Hongkong and at Canton. PAUL EHLERS & Co. 3m 27 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872. AAR. WILHELM REINERS is authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from

MELCHERS & Co. 3m 3 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872. ME interest and responsibility of Mr. F L CLAUSS in our firm ceased on the Slat December, 1871, by mutual consent. Hongkong and China, the 1st January, 1872. BOURJAU, HUBENER & Co. TIME business hitherto carried on at this 2/3rds of the profits to Contributing Sharefrom this date be conducted under the Style or the remaining third by way of dividend

DIRCKS & KRUGER.

who will sign the firm in liquidation. DIRCKS & Co. 1m 5 Swatow, 1st January, 1872. NOTICE.—The interest and responsibility of Mr. J. MURRAY FOREES in our firm

RUSSELL & Co. 1m 16 China, January 1st, 1872. / HE interest and responsibility of Mr. Ju-LIUS MENKE in our firm ceased on the 31st of December, 1870. WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong and China December 16th, 1871.

FREWIN & Co. HENRY FREWIN. LOWARD HERTON. tf 17 Swatow, January 1st, 1872. HE Partnership of HUTCHINGS AND

CAMPBELL has been dissolved by Mutual FRANCIS HUTCHINGS. PATRICK CAMPBELL 3m 2125 Swatow, 7th December, 1871. A. R. THOMAS PICKERING DROWN 1VI a partner in my business from this day which will in future be conducted under the Style or Firm of E. VINCENT & Co. E. VINCENT.

tf 1676 Swatow, 2nd October, 1871. NOTICE. MAR. WILLIAM HENRY MOORE and Mr. IYL OTTO FRIEDRICH, have this day been admitted partners in our firm. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.

tf 1258 Hongkong, 30th June, 1870. R. WILLIAM ABBOTT TURNBULL tions as may be passed at the Extraordinary is authorised to sign our firm from this General Meeting of Thursday, 1st February, AR. WILLIAM ABBOTT TURNBULL BIRLEY, WORTHINGTON & Co. tf 829 Shanghai, 1st May, 1871.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. J. A Kock in our firm, ceased on the 28th of July by mutual consent, and we shall carry on our business, as hitherto, under the same style. J. SMITH & Co. ti 1410 Chefoo, 6th August, 1871. YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

> OF SHANGHAI. NOTICE.

THIS Association has declared a Dividend to Policy bolders for the fiscal eary ending September 30th, 1871, of 15 per cent. on the net premium, payable at this Office, on day, 2nd February, 1872. and after January 1st, 1872. By order of the Board, Policy holders are requested to send in particulars of their contributions. RUSSELL & Co.,

1m 2226 Hongkong, 27th December, 1871, OHINA AND JAPAN MARINE--INSURANCE COMPANY.

Risks to all parts of the World at our- D are requested to furnish the undersigned In addition to the usual brokerage, and to during the year ended 31st October last, for the THE INDO-CHINESE SUGAR COMPANY, a return as beretofore of 30%, of the annual distribution of the 25 per cent. Profit reserved LH (in a diamond) \25 Boxes Merchandize. all Nett Premia contributed, a further Bonus. out of the said Profits may be declared, payable in a like manner to such Contributors CHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that only, as at the time of contributing business on

> tf 1402 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1872. ANTED ON BOTTOMRY.-\$5,000, and Rigging of the German Brigantine Formosa, J. Puulsen, Master, to enable her to proceed on her voyage to Tientsin and back to Hongkong. Tenders for the above advance will be received at the office of the Undersigned until TO MORROW, the 26th instant, at 11 A.M. The right is reserved to reject each and

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

MELCHERS & Co... 2d 168 Hongkong, 24th January, 1872 . FOR SALE.

all proposals.

PHAETON, last American style, with India Rubber Springs, complete. A pair of Java PONIES. An American BILLIARD TABLE, complete, with Ques, &c. Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. tf 1916 Hongkong, 7th November, 1871.

lot No. 73, opposite the premises formerly oo- Company.

For particulars, &c., apply to ti 534 Hongkong, 29th March, 1871.

cupied by Messrs, FLETCHER & Co. . .

In imations.

VIOTORIA REGATTA CLUB. TIME OCEAN RACE for the " Dovolas CHALLENGE CUP" will be sailed on MON-DAY, the 29th instant, Entries will close at noon TO MORROW 26th instant.

Further particulars will be duly furnished. R. LYALL. Honorary Secretary. 7d 159 Hongkong, 23rd January, 1871. FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAL.

"CHU-KIANG."

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. tf. 175 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872. FOR SAIGON. HE Steamer

will have immediate despatch as above. SOEY SING.

6d 176 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872. HUNGAONG, CANTON, AND MACAO THE undersigned have this day commenced STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED. L. business as Merchants and Commission NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

> of the Campany for Warrants, By order of the Board of Directors, General Agents.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

tf 114 Hongkong, 15th January, 1872.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. N Extraordinary MEETING of Share-A bolders in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 48. Beita Martini......................Miss White. Queen's Road, on THUR SDAY, the 1st day of February next, at 3 o'clock P.m., for the purpose of proposing and passing certain Special Resolutions altering Clauses Nos. 133 and 133 of the Articles of Association; so as to return port under the firm of Diroks & Co. will | holders or to Contributors generally, and apply amongst shareholders, such changes to take

effect from November 1st, 1871. By order of the Committee. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., General Agent 22d 72 Hongkong, 9th January, 1872.

NOTIOE. UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraor-dinary General MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Society, will be held a the Society's Office, Pedder Street, Hongkong, rally by way of dividend in proportion to the the Daily Press Office. number of Shares held by each, and that the remaining two-thirds thereof shall be distributed amongst such of the Shareholders as shall have contributed business to the Society do likewise.

By order of the Board, N. J. EDE, 32d II Hongkong, 30th December, 1871.

NOTICE. CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. NTOTICE is hereby given, that an Extradinury General MEETING of Share. holders of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, situate at No. 48, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 15th day February next, at three o'clock P.M., for the purpose of confirming such special resolu-

By order of the Committee. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,

at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Fri-N. J. EDE. 48d 12 Hongkong, 80th December, 1871.

ing such special resolutions as may be passed

PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. CHAREHOLDER in the above Company

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.. General Agenti 2m 134 Hongkong, 19th January, 1872

with a list of Premia contributed by them

THE Half-Yearly MEETING of the Shareholders of the Hongkong Horek Com- TND (in a diamond)...... 3 PANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Hongkong Hill (in a heart), 4671/713, 43 Boxes Merchandize. HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 2nd February, 1872. at half past three, P.M., for the purpose of Re- | CJO (in a diamond), 1/2, 2 Cases Effects. thereabout, on the Rull; Spare, Saile, ceiving the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the past six months, and for the election of Directors and Auditors. By order of the Directore,

> Secretary. 22d 84 Hongkong, 10th January, 1872. CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY. (LIMITED). ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS POR THE EIGHT

ED. BAKER.

Months ending 31st December, 1871. CHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to hand to the undersigned, tributions for the year ending 31st December, ture, and take delivery of their goods from 1871, in order that the distribution of 331 per ship's side. cent. of the nott profits reserved for Contributors may be succrtained.

By order, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 4th January, 1872,

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL,

THE MEMBERS of the AMATEUR DRAMATIO CLUB OF HONGKONG will have the honor of giving their FIRST PER-

the 26th instant. WHEN WILL BE PRESENTED THE SCREAMING PARCE

CHARACTERS. Mr. John James Johnson, Mr. A. BAGGAGE, ME HEPWORTHGOR-Miss Rosa Fitz-BLUSHINGTON.

"MASANIELLO." CHARACTERS.

Aristocrats. (MR. HEPWORTHGOR. THE Dividend, at the rate of 16 per cent. per | Elvira.... Miss Rosa Fitz. annum, or \$6 per share, declared at the BLUSHINGTON. Plebeians.

> SICNOBINA MARA QUITA SPLODGERI. NI, primera balle-Fenella..... ring of the Theatre Royal San Carlo,

> > Doors open at 8 c'clock: Performance to

Boxes.....\$15. Stalls\$2. A. Plan of the Theatre may be seen at Mesers. Lane, Crawford & Co.'s on and after Saturday, the 20th inst., at noon, where Tickets may be obtained and Seats secured.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Hongkong, January 20th, 1872. TO LET. (With immediate possession). THAT highly desirable and commodious Family residence, "FAIRLEA," situated in Bonham Road West, and formerly in the occupation of ROBERT McMURDO, Esq. There are 12 Rooms, 3 Stalled-stable, Coach-house,

out. Apply to ED. SHARP & TOLLER. tf 172 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872.

SINGING CLASSES.

Those desirous of forming a GLEE and MADRIGAL CLASS, will be good enough to

Both the above classes will commence in the

first week of February. Terms on application.

REMOVAL OSE & Co. have REMOVED back to their Ly Old Premises, the corner of Wellington and Pottinger Streets, opposite the Roman

FOR SALE. :

MONTILLADO, Superior SHERRY, and PALE SHERRY, bottled by the Un-OLARETS, St. Julien and Medoc. Sparkling MOSELLE. CHAMPAGNE, G. H. Mumm & Co.'s let

Notices to Consignees, BRITISH SHIP NORTHFLEET, FROM

tf 160 Hongkong, 23rd January, 1872.

REYNOLDS & Co.

GILMAN & Co.,

A. CONIL,

Ourgo impeding the discharge of the vessel

S. S. Meikong, from London, are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countereignature, and take delivery on board the S. S. Godavery from Monday morning to Wed-

Principal Agent. tf 155 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1872. 3613/37......\$ S 1/5050 HRD (in a diamond) \ 4 Cases Drugs. c c 55/58

G (in a diamond)

284/90.....

penses, an Average Bond will be prepared and sent round for Consignees' signature, who are in the meantime requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to MELCHERS & Co.. 7d 146 Hongkong, 20th January, 1872. ISLES OF THE SOUTH, FROM LONDON.

her voyage incurred general average ex-

Cargo obstructing the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and ex-Consignees of Gunpowder will please take first-class GODOWNS situate on inland made up in conformity with the Books of the immediate delivery, to enable the vessel to come . into a berth to discharge, otherwise the powder

th 107 Hongkong, 16th January, 1872.

Amoy 23rd January, Tea. -Aug. HEARD

Manila 15th January, Sapanwood.—RE. MEDIOS & Co.

Jan. 24, Union, Span. sch., 152, Antonio

Charleton) Jan. 24, Augusta Reimers, for Saigon.

AT THE HALHOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, Parking Car

motion of the undertaking there. The following passengers proceed by P. & O.

The British steamer Albay reports left Amos

The North German bark Hermine reports left Chinkiang on January 16th, experienced very

inclion Sales l'o-day.

557 Hongkong, 1st April, 1871. IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned having been appointed

SAIL MAKING. TXTILLIAM DOLAN baying returned to Hongkong, has resumed his business of

> Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Fast,

> > Agents for the Sale of their Goods in

bocks.

PORT OF AMOY. HIPOWNERS, AGENTS, and COM. MANDERS are informed that the Door COMPANY'S ESTABLISHMENTS at the above L Port afford every facility, at moderate charges;

Has 286 feet length on the blooks, and at

superintended by resident Europeans.

Quarters for Officers, and a DRY GODOWN or STORES, of Vessels under repair. tf 2317 Amov. December, 1868. FOOUHOW DOCK.

RIVER MIN.

rent rates, on application to

MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

JOSEPH ANGUS.

tf Hongkong, 20th November, 1871.

CHAPEL ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE. N the 15th instant, the Chapel Island Light was lighted. The apparatus is Dioptric, zon a Fixed White Light, varied by Flashes at lian Convent, on intervals of half a minute. The centre of the light is 227 feet above High Water, and in olear weather it will be visible 22 nautical miles.

painted white. The light house is situated in Lat. 24° 10° 18" N., and Long. 118° 13' 30" E

Amoy, 16th November, 1871. 3m 2006COTES DE CHINE. PHARE DE CHAPEL ISLAND.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPAN OF HONGKONG, LIMITED. Secretaries.

tf 52 Hongkong, 6th January, 1872.

kong and China. Safety MATCHES, Calf and Kid BOOTS. and Red PAINT, Boiled OIL, and TURPEN

STORES, FURNITURE, &c., comprising :--Manila and Havanah OIGARS, of different brands, an Assortment of Meershaum PIPES.

178 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872.

of the First Order, shewing all round the hori- at No. 10 A. Caine Road, next door to the Ita-WEDNESDAY. The Property of a Gentleman changing his The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNI. TURE, comprising 1 Set Green Rep Covered

purchasers risk on the fall of the hammer.

Water Street.

COMPANY (Limited).

KOBE (BIOGO). JAPAN. 8m 120 Hongkong, 17th January, 1872.

All outstanding accounts of the old Firm will be liquidated by Mr. HINR. ANDR. DIRCKS, CANTON, 1871-1873.

on FRIDAY, the Second day of February next, at three o'clock P.M., for the purpose of proposing and passing special resolutions to the effect that from the 1st day of January, 1872, the profits of the Society instead of being di visible as provided by Clause No. 142 of the THE undersigned have established them. Articles of Association of the Society, shall be selves as Merchants and Commission divided amongst the Shareholders in the man. T ADIES and GENTLEMEN desirous of Agents at this port, under the Firm or Style of her following, viz , that the said profits shall be L joining an ELEMENTARY SINGING

in proportion to their contributions.

General Agents 32d 99 Hongkong, 13th January, 1872. NOTICE. UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, 1871-1873. NTOTICE is bereby given that an Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Society will be held at the Goods. Society's Office, Pedder's Street, Hongkong, on

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COM-

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY. LIMITED.

before the lat March next, a List of their Con-Should any Shareholders fail to make the pense. TUK SALE, by private contract, the Three returns above described, their Accounts will be

HONGKONG.

FORMANCE this Season, at the above Theatre, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING,

"THE TWO BONNYOASTLES." Mr. Benjamin Bonnycustle MR. GINGER.

Mr. Smuggins

Mrs. Bounycastle HelenMISSEDITH VERNON. Patty......Miss Siwer. To be followed by the Favourite Burlesque

Selve......MR. P. C. FOOTIT.

MISS EDITH VERNON. Tolla Maloni......Miss Brown.

ommence at 8 30.

By kind permission of Colonel Norman and the Officers of H. M. 10th Regiment, the Band of the Regiment will be in attendance.

Hurness Room, large Kitchen, Garden, and Pleasure Grounds, Gas and Waterlaid through-

divided into three equal parts: that one-third CLASS, under the direction of Mr. A. SINGER part shall be payable to the Sharcholders gene- | will please forward their names to him, care of

> Catholic Church. tf 174 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872.

tf 173 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872

quality. Extra 1st Do., and Carte Blanche. BRANDY, Honnessy's * and V.F.O.P.

LONDON. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countereignature, and to take immediate delivery of their will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk FRIDAY, the 16th day of February next, at three o'clock r.m., for the purpose of confirm-

tf 167 Hongkong, 23rd January, 1872.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo, ex-

nesday night, the 24th instant. Cargo remaining on board after that date will be landed and stored and insured against fire at the Consignees' expense.

NOTICE, THE Ship Ornate, from London, having on

ONSIGNEES of Cargo per the above-named ship are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersigns.

will be stored at their risk and expense. JOHN BURD & Co..

NOW READY.

MINHIS Work, now in the TENTH year of its existence, is ready for delivery. It has been compiled and printed at the Daily Press Office, as usual, from the best and most authentic sources, and no pains have been spared to make the work complote in all respects. In addition to the usual varied and

voluminous information, the value of the ' Chronicle and Directory for 1872 " will be further augmented by the addition of a Chromo-lithograph plate of the NEW CODE OF SIGNALS IN USE AT THE PEAK;

THE VARIOUS HOUSE FLAGS (Designed expressly for this Work); MAPS OF HONGKONG, JAPAN, and of the

THE COAST OF CHINA; besides other local information and statistics corrected to date of publication. tending to make this work in every way suitable for Public, Mercantile, and General Offices.

The Directory will be published in Two Forms, Complete at \$5; or with the Lists of Residents, Port Directories, Maps, &c., at \$3.

Orders for Copies may be sent to the Daily prefer the weak to the strong, and we do not Press Office, or to the following Agents:--Mr. PATRICK CAMPBELL. Amoy....... Mesara, Wilson, Nicholls & Co. WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co.

HEDGE & Co. Kelvy & Co., Shangbai. HALL & HOLTZ. Kelly & Co. HALL & HOLTZ and KELLY Hankow and) River Ports & Ço., Shangbai, HALL & HOLTZ and KELLY

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& Co., Shanghai, HALL& HOLTZ and KELLY days. Could not a portion of the "Messiah" Tientsin andThe C. & J. Trading Co. • Hiogo, Osaka....The C. & J. Trading Co. Mesars, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Manila...... Messrs. J. DE LOYZAGA & Co. VON BARGEN & Co.

Singapore. Straits Times Office.

.... Englishman Office. London Mr. F. ALGAR, Clement's Lane., GEO. STREET, 30, Cornhill. Messrs. Trübner & Co. BATES, HENDY & Co. Sin Francisco, Mr. L. P. Fisher, 21, Mer- begone scoring of these fashionable modern chants' Exchange. New York...... Messre. S. M. PETTINGILL & Co.,

The delivery of the Daily Press from this office commenced on Wednesday morning at 10.05, and the last messengers left the office at 10.25.

37. Park Row.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 25TH, 1872.

THERE is at last some appearance of animation amongst the Societies for the promotion of Evening Entertainment. The Choral Society has worked itself to Concert pitch by dint of a rather prolonged effort of screwing been put down. up, and there are signs of an "A Night" amongst the Dramatists. Much as we may Spanish ship Maria. congratulate the one body on an achieved success, and the other on a success scarcely less certain than if it were already achieved, it can scarcely be said that either Society has prepared itself for public performance with extraordinary rapidity. This remark is made in no disparaging spirit. The public are only too glad to get what they can in the way of Choral and Dramatic performances, while, however, they would of course be more pleased if they could get more. But it is not only the outside public who are interested in this matter. It is the essence of vitality in the Society itself to appear in public at | induced by defendant to go to Macao, adding, in the shortest intervals which may be consistent with reasonable efficiency. The date of the Concert or Representation should be fixed, or approximately fixed, as soon as the and kidnapped." rehearsals commence; the music or the dramatic pieces to be given should be specified at the same time and adhered to: and this date and this programme should be kept prominently before the members at rehearsal, skeleton keys endeavouring to enter a rice all practice being conducted on that basis Hong. alone. In no other way can the necessary spirit be infused into the Society to impel and incite it to the utmost endeavours towards perfection in the particular matters in Suppose that the arrangement is " to give a Concert when we know the music, and to sing whatever we know best:" or, "to play when we are perfect in our parts, and to play the burlesque that we find ourselves | Patroclus. most proficient in." Such a plan of operations is the very one most calculated to defeat its professed aim, for every inaccuracy will sequence of which he procured warrants and ap- ment with the British Government for re--be condoned and every defect left unbeeded, on the plea that there is no special hurry, and that there is no reason to perform the special thing in which the defect was apparent. If, on the other hand, a hard and fast line be laid down as to the time allowed for practice, and no option be allowed as to what shall be practised, a very different spirit will naturally manifest itself. "There is no time to be lost before we play," or, "we cannot change this difficult music for anything simpler;"—these would be irrefutable arguments for putting forth every opino, and hand it to the Constable 22. The

Corps have come to be looked upon as regular Institutions of the place, and thus, all cautioned not to do it again. The boy was though as private bodies they are of course entitled to courteous consideration, particularly the former, many of whose members are ladies, who with much kindness afford some of the most delightful and refining amusement to the community, still their performances are deserving of something more than the merely conventional critique, in which everybody and everything is praised while no attempt is made at a discriminating estimate of the real value of what is presented to the public. Such critiques may be very polite, but they amount to nothing more Os Lovdon .than "What very nice ladies and gentlemen these are!" and since they show so much more consideration for the performers as individuals than as musicians, they might well be mistaken for rather back-handed ON NEW YORK. compliments. It was in this belief that the notice which we published on the last performance of the Choral Society was penned, and we are confident that the remarks were understood as being made with no desire to carp, and no want of appreciation of the good feeling and cordial co-operation manifested by the members with the kindly object of providing musical entertainment for the public, and funds for the suffering people of Chicago. In the same spirit, we think it may be well Union Insurance Society of Canton, new shares to supplement those remarks with a few general observations on the music selected for practice by the Committee of the Society. If they will receive a suggestion on this point in the spirit in which it is made, it may be useful. A large number of the Hongking Fire Insurance Company's Sharesmembers of the Society-we do not say a majority, for they have not been polled—are

The Choral Society and the Dramatic

energy at once.

The Chronicle and Directory for 1872. | rather tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares- | Sir Ruther tired of the Monotonous expanse of Victoria Fire Insurance Company expany \$63 per share, premium. English music to which they have been treated lately. The "May Queen" is cor-Shares-29 per cent discount. tainly a creditable composition, but it palls

upon the ear when sung in rather dreary

time, while those fantastic nonentities,

the modern part-songs, must be perfectly

imagine a morbid soul in a consumptive

body that may take some pleasure in the

maudlin barmonics and sickly-sweet melodies

in fashion with the modern gles-writers.

"Softly fall the shades of evening," and they

fall in very melancholy triple time, all very

beautiful, but weak-weak. There is more

strength about Sterndale Bennett, of course,

but after all, what have the great masters

done? Has the Choral Society exhausted

their works, or are they not beautiful even if

they be strong and healthy and wholly unsug-

gestive of beef-tea and a sallow complexion?

Why is Hundel tabooed; Mozart, Beethoven,

Haydn, Mendelcschn, why are they left out?

Is there nothing to sing, but sentimental

love and moonshine to the tune of a feline

purr? It cannot be supposed that there are

many hale men in the Society who actually

believe it of the ladies. But there is an idea

abroad that these "pretty little things" are

generally appreciated, and we venture to say

the idea is wholly a mistaken one, as shown

by their reception at the concert, and that

the well-worn "Messiah" would be more

pleasing to the Society and to the public than

half the "Shades of Evening," and "Morn-

ings Sweet in May" that pass for music now-a-

be given, a portion of something else, the

"Hymn of Praise?"—yariety if you will, but

first of all, good, honest music. If the Ora-

torios are too heavy for exclusive perform-

ance, there are operatic choruses, and plenty

of vigorous part-songs and good English

glees of the old school. Need we descend,

with these resources at hand, to the wo-

part-songe, with the cat-serenading-the-

moon sentiment which runs all through

A telegram has been received stating that

he stunmer Travancore left Singapore with the

applement yesterday, stating that a telegram

had reached Hongkong, dated the 18th instant,

to the effect that Governor de Souza-bad-been

relieved, and Viscomto de S. Jantuario appointed

LATE TELEGRAMS.

SPECIAL TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

Lottories in the Foreign Settlements bave

A mutiny has taken place on board the

Chang, the Soochow Giant, has returned.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

BEFORE C. MAY. Esq.

Lec-a-kwei accused a Chinaman named Chong

koon-veong with endeavouring to kidnan bi

(complainant's) brother at Macao. He said that

defendant had induced his brother to go with

him to Macao, and he (complainant) had seen

him being conveyed on board a ship there. He

did not give defendant in charge at Macao, be-

cause he boped to get his brother released; but

meeting him in Hongkong he did so. A cou-

sin of complainant's testified to the brother being

gone, as having no employment in one place he

must go to another. " but his cousin was deceived

cure his evidence.

The case has remanded for defendant to pro-

A Chinaman was sent to gaol for six months

with hard labour, and ordered of find security

in one householder for \$25, being found with

Mr. G. Overbeck was summoned by one of his

chair coolies for assault. The coolies came at

nine instead of balf-past eight, and on being

spoken to were insolent, which caused the blow

EOBBERY FROM CARGO EOATS.

The fifteen men charged with robbing Mr.

Hook's cargo boats were brought up again; and

some further evidence being taken, the case

was remanded for the return of the steamer

SELLING OPIUM WITHOUT LICENCE

information the day before in the Court, in con-

He sent a boy to the house of defendants, who

purchased opium there, but he now refuse

about it; but Sergeant 73 said he had a wit-

ness who saw the boy sent, and saw him make

his purchases. The woman said she was

the mistress of the house, and the rest of the

defendants said they were in the house smoking

opium, "which was proved by the quantity of

from the crowd in the dock, and said he was

positive of his having been sent with 20 cents by

and the woman left in the dock. She then ad-

truthful statement she was only fined \$5, and

then charged with giving wilful false evidence,

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

The market for Bengal drug has been un-

capied in fulfilment of time bargain operations

of the 12th sales drug. Market closen for

Patra at \$690 to \$6971, cash and credit, original

chests, against \$6821 to \$685 open chests. No

No change in the tone of the drug market.

EXCHANGE.

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, ... -

Bank Bills, at 6 months signt, 4/5

Credits, at 6 months sight 4/5

Bank Bills on domand, 4/3:

.Private, 5 months' sight....... ---

On BOMBAY .- Bank, 3 days' sight 2191

On CALCUTTA. -Bank, 3 days' sight 219}

Bank, 15 days sight......721

Private, 30 days' sight......72%

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, New-62 per cent

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares -

Chinese Insurance Company.-\$160 per share

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$61

\$2,000 per share premium, ex div.

-\$1.500 per abare premium.

\$365 per share, premium.

per share, premium.

per share premium.

premium.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old-64 per cent.

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Documentary Bills, at 6 months'

JANUARY 24th, Evening.

JANUARY, 25th, Mobning.

and remanded till to day, the 25th instant.

mitted she had sold the opium, and for her

Constable No. 83, sworn, picked out the man

smoking pipes, lamps, &c."

change in other kinds.

l On Shanghal. — .

to give evidence. The boy was put into the

Police Coustable No. 22 stated that he laid an

complained of. A fine of \$1 was inflicted,

SHANGHAI, 24th January, 1872.

English Mail at 2 p.m. on Friday, 19th inst.

"Creation" say, a chorus or two from the

Hongkong, Uanton and Macco Steamboat Co.'s Shures—324 to 33 per cent. prem., ew div. to 160 per share, China Sea, Saigon, and Straits Steamship consider a norious and demoralizing drug. nauseating to a good, healthy man. We can

Company-5 per cent. discount, nominal. pany-25 per cent. discount, nominal. Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$65 per

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-60 per Hongkong Distillery Company-10 per cent.

Indo-Chinese Sugar Company-\$18 per share by saving: "I looked upon it in this light, Hongkong Pier and Godown Company. \$10 to 9 per share disquilat.

SALES ON JANUARY 24TH, 1872.

o travelling merchant. to travelling merchant to travelling merchant, Mushrooms, 41 piculs, at \$34.00, by Kwongfook wo to travelling merchant. look-we to travelling merchant. oreign merchant.

fut to Hongkoug merobant: Dried Persimons, 100 bags, at Tls. 33.5., by Yuen-fat to travelling merchant Green Peas, 1,000 picula, at \$2.28, by Kinai-loong to Hongkong merchant. White Pepper, 5 bage, at \$22.00, by Hungung to travelling merchant.

NEWS FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

SIR RUTHERFORD ALCOCK AND

THE OPIUM QUESTION: Ir is a well known fact that there is no better means for judging of a man's true character than noticing him in the witness box, and that many who are thoroughly able to hide what is in them in an ordinary way, become quite translucent when they begin to give testimony in a Court of Law. Something of this effect seems to have been produced by the examination of Sir R. ALCOCK before the Select Committee of the House of Commons, and we can only that Committee were not in Hongkong when Sir RUTHERFORD made his declarations concerning the proposed convention, as their shrewd and pointed questions would have gone far towards elucidating the truth of what Sir RUTHERFORD, before a less skilled assembly, contrived to place in so pleasing The Oriente, the new Macoo paper, issued a and plausible a light. From beginning to end Sir Rutherford's evidence is a tissuo of inconsistencies and a studied evasion of giving direct and decided answers on every practical matter. Instead of directing his replies to the points upon which the Committee desires information, he commences with a set speech explanatory of his negotiations with the Tsung-le Yamen and the very confidential terms upon which he stood with Prince Kung and Wensiang, during the interview when these Celestial magnates unbosomed their grief, nobody being present but Sir RUTHERFORD and his Chinese Secretary, acting as interpreter, and when the Chinese Ministers felt more at liberty speak freely than when the room was filled with servants or persons outside the circle. It is very interesting to learn exactly how Sir Rutherford was duped from so good an authority as himself. The confidential Mandarins wax mightily moral, assure Sir RUTHERFORD that the foreign opium traffic will provoke Heaven's condemnation of men. and delicately hint that it is not at all unlikely that in order to put down this crying evil, the prohibitions on the growth of native

if he had been asked, he would himself have the Committee will consider it a very signi ficant document. It is not at all unlikely that they did. The ruse completely succeed ed. Sir Rutherford commenced to institute enquiries, of course through native sources, and found-how wonderful!-that LI Hung Chung had actively employed himself both in Hukwang and Honan in promoting the cultivation of the poppy. He swallowed the bait, hook and all. "It thus appeared," he says "that the policy only shadowed out as a possible contingency or necessity in the official note of the Yamen of ruining the trade in Indian Opium by encouraging the native growth, was the course which had been suggested by Li. and by him and his brother practically carried out already on a large scale. So the result of Sir RUTHERFORD's confidential interview with the Chinese Ministers was that he set about doing precisely what they wanted, and what they anticipated. He came to the conclusion that the Chinese Government were seriously contemplating, if they could not come to any terms or arrangeprobonded, with the assistance of sergeant 78, the stricting the area of growth in India, and either gradually or suddenly putting an end to its importation, to permit the cultivation of opium without stint in China, after which they thought they would be able to stamp out the opium produce among themselves. With this magnificent mare's nest well impressed on his mind. Sir Rutherford sets to work to propose as "terms" with the British Government an extra Tls. 20 a chest; and this was accepted, the exact value—money value

ppium will be withdrawn as a tem-

porary measure. This being embodied

in a despatch is transmitted to

—of the Tsung-le Yamen's indignation being hit off, and everything settled nicely for the new convention, Sir Rutherford, however. Constable 22 He saw his go and prosure the looking in upon the Governor-General of India on his way home with a suggestion whole of the male defendants were discharged, that the Indian Government had better arrange with China to diminish the area of opium cultivation gradually, with a view to the ultimate suppression of the traffic, on which meanwhile the Chinese Government keen satire of the able writers on the Indian papers on hearing of this rich affair, is doubtless still in the recollection of many of our readers; but Sir Ruthenponn, nothing daunted, showed himself before the Committee only too anxious to explain the whole affair; made ultimately. I thought it an adselves not only not desirous, but most unwilling, to receive it, and without any guarantee that the restrictions which were favour of the native product. Sir R. Alcock. however, as the Chinese were insisting and urging by every argument they could adduce. the necessity of the British Government put down-which it is proved could not be consenting to the total prohibition of opium, thought to get them to consent to admit more evil than good would be produced. it as a legitimate article of commerce, and held that to get them to take an increased revenue from it, was in fact "getting them to take a retaining fee in our cause."

Considering that opium was already ad-

by the treaty, Sir R Alcock admits that he

Treaty; when in another part of his evidence

offered the Chinese a "retaining fee"

negotiations at Pekin is to drop the mild Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's empheuism of "retaining fee," that he brided the Chinese Government to set aside their laudable moral scruples, and to admit the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company-Tle. 158 import of what, when explaining his views his own way, he says "mankind in general. Happily, however, he shows that matters China and Straits Steam Navigation Com- were not so bad as this, as when pressed by the Committee as to his opinion on the effects of opium smoking, he said he had already observed that "he thought it might have a good effect in moderate proportions. Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK continues his

and as a preliminary to the British and Chinese Governments coming to some arrangement of the nature I have just been pointing out. By such means I conceived they might limit both production and consumption, withthat this objection was either unreasonable Red Dates, 100 bags, at Tls. 2.8.0., by Kin frug out attempting to put down the trade in opium entirely—which I conceived to be an White War, 3 pieces, at \$81.00, by Kin-fung impossibility." The position which the Chinese Government took in the matter scems Vermicelli, 100 picule, at \$9.00, by Kin-fung to have been precisely analogous to that which was adopted by the Government of this Colony regarding the Gambling Fees. White Sugar, 200 bage, at \$6.40, by Kwong- They did not for a moment wish to receive any duty from so highly objectionable a source Grey Shirtings, 7-1bs., 900 pieces, at \$2.25, by as opium; and the extra Tls. 1,600,000 which was to come to them was not only a bo seen, and Sir Richard MacDonnell's ex-

explanation concorning the "retaining fee"

Siam Rice, 4,000 piouls, at \$2.43, by Yuen- matter of indifference, but almost one of planation of the matter, which it is presumed regret, just like the Special Fund. It is im- will be made at the next meeting of the Legis possible not to reflect on the thoughts which lative Council, is looked for with some interest. must have been running in the minds of the two Excellencies when they met in Hongkong | the state of the Police Force are actively-en--how Sir RICHARD must have been speculating whether the Minister saw through the dence which has to be gone through far exceeds gambling scheme; and Sir Rutherford even what was anticipated. The substance of have been equally wondering whether the the reply from the Colonial Office to the

> views which the Rutherford deduced from ed in the form of a despatch from the his general conclusions were inconsistent in effect that the Government did not conthemselves, and Adid not warrant the line of action which he adopted in his negotiations, be appointed in view of the early dute a and it will also be apparent that the actual which a new Governor would arrive in the facts are, by his own admission, insufficient Colony, but they had full confidence Sir Richard to lead in any way to the generalisations MacDonnell would do all that was necessary which he made the ground work of his Sir Richard thought it necessary to appoint

tions on the opium question.

Three points are set forth in a perfectly clear light, which it may be fairly considered ed of this by telegram, and have approved of his place Sir Rutherford Alcock entirely in action. The inconsistencies seems quite inregret that some of the Hon. Members of the wrong; first, that we are not responsible explicable. for the Opium traffic in China; secondly, that Considerable sensation was produced by the the foreign trade in the Drug is not suffi. absconding of the Shroff of the Police Court on ciently extended to work any very extensive injury; and, lastly, that the injuriousness of

Opium has been very greatly exaggerated. With regard to the first point, it is somewhich Europeans had intercourse with the custody by giving 24 per cent. interest. Nocountry, only in consequence of some remarks thing has been heard of him. made by Mr. Hosson, Acting Commissioner of and Noor Mahomed Kamisa, who were sentustomed at Hankow, which go to show that tenced to imprisonment in the celebrated Conthere is a native book which proves that Opium spiracy Case, which has attracted so much was consumed in China a hundred and thirty attention recently, has been sent in the H. years ago. The fact is, there is abundant E: the Governor. The answer has not yet been testimony to prove that as far back as can be received. remembered Opium has been brought into The Hongkong Choral Society gave a very China from India, and to the present day is pleasing concert on the 22nd instant, in aid of brought across the borders into Yunan by the It is announced that an ordinance is about old route. The Opium cry was simply to be brought in for simplifying the procedure raised as that most likely to be believed against of the Supreme Court, assimilating it to that foreigners, just as the Missionary cry is being in force at Shanghai; and arranging that the raised at the present time. A feeling has Court of Summary Jurisdiction shall be abolalways existed in China against Opium, on lished, and a Judge and Assistant-Judge ap-

account of its being abused, just as there is a pointed to the Supreme Court. The measure strong feeling at home about gin and brandy. but it is clear that it would be as impossible and probably as unjustifiable to put down the pression of hawkers' cries and other similar one as the other. Whether the Chinese Go- invisances. This measure has been advocated vernment have made any bon \hat{x} fide effort to for a long time, and is urgently required. do so is not clear; but it is certain that they never have succeeded in preventing the consumption of the Drug, which is a habit not

tury before we traded with China. The next point that is clearly set forth in the evidence is that neither the quantity nor the price of the foreign Opium could produce the wide spread disaster which is attributed by foreigners, the government replied acquiceto it, even if it were in every way as injurious as it has been represented to be: is proved by the force of actual figures that not more than three or four millions of people out of the 300 to 400 millions of the inhabitants of China can by any possibility consume foreign Opium except in infinitissi- at Shanghai; and still more an elaborate remally small quantities—not by any means such as to cause injury; and, in fact, that the consumption might be increased of the history and resources of the fine island 'almost ad infinitum-three, four, or five fold, and still leave the body of the nation unaffected." Sir RUTHERFORD, after all his elequence concerning the virtuous indignation of the Pekin authorities-indignation so intense that it could not be soothed at a less figure than £500,000 per annum additional duty, is constrained to admit that the amount to have been uncalled for, the whole story being of foreign Opium imported is infinitely short without any foundation. The sergeant of noof that required to produce the effects attributed to it; while it is also conclusively shown that the expense of indulging in alleged to have been seized, returned on the

of the people from doing so. ness of the drug, Sir Rutherrond, as already | night about 7 o'clock, and after passing Chingshown, completely stultifies himself, and is poo saw several houseboats, the people in which compelled to admit that it is not injurious in He continued his way to Quinsan, Spochow, moderation; and, finally, that he has always and Woosieh, still unable to learn that there had a conviction that a craving for some- was anything the matter. On Sunday morning thing of a stimulant or narcotic nature is universal, and that the very fact of this getting a ducking by the overturning of the passion for Opium being found to exist so canoe-like desputch-bout in which he travelled greatly among the Chinese shows that there | and sent the despatch of which he was bearer in is a want for it dependent upon causes which to the Prefect. Runners were sent out to make

These facts being proved from Sir Ru-THERFORD's own testimony, it became very taken, but the runners returned in the evening, easy work for the Committee to demolish the and reported that the story was entirely withwhole of the theory which he so carefully out foundation. Having received a desputch were to receive an extra Tls. 1,600,000. The impressed upon them at the opening of his from the Prefect officially notifying the British evidence. "So that," asks Mr. GRANT Consul of the steps taken and their result DUFF, "by attempting to effect through Sergeant Yeoman left at once, changing his legislation any sudden or great change in the Opium consumption in China, we might unwillingly be doing as much harm as good? bai. Sorgeant Yeoman says the patives at discipline existing in the Chinese service. "Quite so," says Sir Ruthersond, "first, it Chang-chow-foo were civil, but showed much | The body of the dead scaman was laid tem | keep order at this important time. Your readand perhaps in the whole history of evasive would utterly fail; it must fail; and in the curiosity, and apparently the presence of a porarily alongside a grave near the English ers, I imagine, will have concluded from what official answers nothing can be found to next place all sudden revolutions of that kind foreigner was quite a novelty for them. must affect capital and industry, and could nent enquiry if the Chinese in the revision not fail to be a great evil." And yet though and appear to give more like, the men left their post and went sage precaution of placing extra vessels of nent enquiry if the Chinese in the revision not fail to be a great evil." And yet though and appear to give more than the chinese in the revision not fail to be a great evil." of the treaty did not wish for, and did not Sir Ruthenborn admits that a sudden sup- first paper read in them was one by Mr. have passed unnoticed, but that they made a was his duty to have remained at Tienactually put a higher duty on opium. "No," pression of the traffic would probably do as Thomson, photographer, on the Antiquities of row in re-crossing the bridge of boats, and stables in so as to be on the spot, to keep order says Sir Rutherford, "that was a concession much harm as good even if possible, he Cambodia, during which he exhibited some bed the foreign gatekeeper. Soldiers or sailors and to watch over the arrangements for shield shinnself behind the one word "sudden," vantage, but the merchants did not like it." and so thinks he saves himself from utter con-Merchants may be excused from not liking fusion in having set about measures which to pay money to people who profess them- are proved by his own testimony to be impracticable for the gradual suppression of the trade. The objection, however, suggested by Mr. GRANT DUFF happens to apply equally to threatened would not be put in force in a rapid or a gradual suppression. It is simply that, though Opium consuming may be an evil in excess, it is not so in moderation. and that even if the whole trade could be

accomplished-there is every likelihood that THERFORD ALCOCK knew enough to be fully aware of the erroneous nature of the Chinese objections to the traffic, he nevertheless his shovel, whereupon Sergeant McElvey caught | We have had two more fires here, a small rank, treating the calls of the foreign officers allowed those objections to influence him to hold of it also, and a struggle ensued between one about seven if outside the West Gate, on with the most thorough contempt, and even mitted as a "legitimate article of commerce" the extent of his being willing to give them £500,000 a year more duty to overcome Consul-General Seward, who heard the case, de- morning, near the large joss-house at South the foreign Ministers who have done him the them. The Chinese, on the other hand, showed China and Japan Marine Insurance-Tis. 100 | Ths. 1,600,000 not to evade the terms of the how little real weight they themselves atbefore the Committee he also admits that he allowing their scruples to vanish in sight of doubts their power to carry out their threat. the increased revenue. Surely in the face of though it will be recollected that he affected these facts it must be clear that, from bevery little doubt of it when explaining his ginning to end, the negotiation was simply a policy in Hongkong. The plain English of bargain—whether we would pay so much

duty for so much facility of trade; in comtwenty taels duty, as because, having agreed to do so, he failed to obtain any guarantee from surely reasonable to ask in return that they daya' strike. should guarantee that prohibitive duties should not be imposed inland. It was to his traneousconsiderations with which it has been mixed up, and is locked upon in a plain, business-like light, it surely cannot be held

HONGKONG. The abuse of he used gambling, which has formed the subject of discussion for the last five years, has at last been put down, by the issue of a notification annulling the regulations proviously issued with respect to the houses What measures will be taken with the object of suppressing illegal gambling houses remains to The Commission appointed to enquire into gaged in their investigations. The business, however, proceeds slowly, as the mass of evi-Governon took the measure of his negotia- memorial on the state of the Force seat bonic by the Committee appointed at the Public The above is sufficient to show that the Meeting in November last, has been publishsider it desirable that a Commission should Commission; and the Hongkong Colonial Secretary's despatch contains a rider to the effect that the Home Government have been inform-

the 13th instant, with large sums of money belonging to the Sikh Policemen, who had placed all their savings in his band. The total sum taken is supposed to be about \$45,000 or \$50,000 of which \$10,000 or \$20,000 belonged to what surprising to find that the British Min- the Sikhs, and the remainder to some of the ister for the first time awakens to the fact Enropean Constables and to private traders. that the consumption of Opium in China | The Government lose little or nothing. This dates back to a period far anterior to that at | wily swindler had attracted the moneys into his

A petition for the pardon of Abdool Moosa

the sufferers by the Chicago fire. is much needed, and is looked upon favourably. so far as its provisions are yet koown. ordinance is also to be introduced for the sup-

CANTON. The most noteworthy fact in this part of the dating from the time of the advent of foreign- compire is the return of Mr. C. D. Williams ers but which has, there is every reason to from Pekin, carrying with him his appointment positive proof of such persons being to the Dr. Williams, in his work "the Middle Kingreply to a question from the Magistrate, that Rutherford, who observes that he thinks believe, existed for centuries—and is undoubt—as U.S. Consular agent from this Consulate at district came before me, it was reported to me dom," compiled from Chinese statistics, gives edly established as being in existence a cen. K'inngchow in Hainan, which, though one of that some people had bought sweetmeats the number of inhabitants to a square mile the ports the opening of which was stipulated (name have hi koan) from some travelling English as 475 human beings. Then accordthe first time to foreign trade. It appears that means of the white of an egg produced numer- Commissioner of Customs as being flooded, we on the Foreign Ministers at Pekin notifying the government that the port was about to be opened | these sweetment-sellers have some of this from want of subsistence, to greater or less oing in the proposal, but coupling it with an in- | people. On hearing this i at once sent the timation that trade would not be allowed at any port except those expressly mentioned in the Chefoo, recently read before the Asiatic Society | the people. Another report reached me that | inundation; and if we reason from the seen to

port made in 1868 by Commissioner Taintor. of the Imperial Customs, give a very good idea of Hainan, and bave no doubt exerted a powerful influence in leading to the opening of

SHANGHAI. The excitement concerning the report of two foreigners being detained up country turns ou him, to make enquiry, and obtain, by means of the Taotai's despatch, release of the persons foreign Opium must preclude the large bulk 8th at 12.30, and reported that no Chinamen had been shot, nor foreigners taken into cus-Lastly, upon the question of the pernicious- tody. Sergeaut Yeoman left on Thursday at 9.30, he arrived at Chang-chow-foo, after enquiries in the surrounding destrict, and at Pang-nuc, 8 or 10 miles from Chang-chow, cance for a more commodious native boat, by I to a seamin of the Chinese gunbout Sapoo, who which he came to Nascang, thence walking was killed in firing a salute. An incident which | thorities, as it was in the spring of 1870, with across country a distance of 15 miles to Shang-The new rooms of the North China Branch from the gunboat to watch it. But after dark, the Foreign Governments had undertaken the and appear to give great satisfaction. The into the city for a spree. This would probably war here during the coming winter, that it

very interesting photographs: A case of some interest has come before the these eight men wanted to carry with them six | The last batch of newspapers received here United States Consul, Mr. E. M. Smith baving others who were not in uniform, and who there. from Shanghai gives us an account of the been charged with assaulting one of the Muni- | fore may not have been entitled to the | banghai foreign officials having called on the cipal Police in the discharge of his duty. Mr. privilege. The gatekeeper, at any rate, was quite Governor-General of Kiangsu, soon after his Smith's men were opening some ground on the right in stopping them. The men drew their arrival at Shanghai, and of his Excellency her-Soongkiang Rond, and were stopped by the knives, and the gatekeeper was stabled through ing subsequently returned their visits at their policeman. Mr. Smith remonstrated, stating | the hand; after which exploit the scoundrels | Consulates. It is impossible not to be struck by that where the opening was made was his pri | harried back to their post. The next morning | the contract between Tseng-kwo-fan's conduct vate property, on which the policeman ordered the Captain of the gunboat called on the at Shanghai, and that of Li-hung-chang at Mr. Smith's men to stop, and according to the Bridge Directors, and promised to have the Tien-tsin, towards foreign officials. At one port policeman's version, Mr. Smith seized the officer. | onlyrits punished; begging however that the | we have Tseng-kwo-fan, the highest in rank after he had taken a shovel to stop the hole, and affair should not be reported to the Consuls of all the provincial mandarins in China, rigidhit him on the side of his face with his hund, or the Tuotai. Thus we have desertion of post, ly confroming to the rules of etiquette in reand then pushed him to get clear. Mr. Smith's brawling, and stabbing; an English soldier turning the visits of the foreign officials, account of the affair was, however, very different. | would come very near being shot. Will "squee- acting as an educated gentleman and an Thus, then, we find that although Sir Ru- He stated that after the policeman had ordered zing" a month's pay be considered an appro- official ought to do; at another port we the Chinaman to stop, the coolie nearest him | printe punishment in China; or what will be have Li-bung-chang, a mandarin holding, in obeyed the policemans' orders, when he seized done P

to prevent him foreibly.

of the minor mandarins and the foreman parison with the facility offered for the native | shipwright, and later in the day ordered them drug-and that Sir RUTHERFORD got con-1 to be imprisoned for insubordination. The siderably the worst of the bargain, not so consequence of such proceedings was, that 600 much because he agreed to pay the extra of the employee "knocked off" work and left the yards, refusing to return to duty until the prisoners were released, and some amends unde them for the assault. This demand was, former dry plains of this part of the country. the Chinese authorities that they would not however, refused by Fung for three days, when, The Tientsin river, from the bridge of boots at encourage the grouth of the native drug, by convinced that the strikers were determined placing more and more restrictive inland in their resolve not "turn to," unless it was duties upon foreign Opium. If they de- complied with, he released the prisoners, and manded that we should assist them by it is believed a pecuniary reward was given to collecting the larger duty at the ports, it was hush the matter up. The workmen resumed work on the morning of the 13th, after four

It is stated that the steamer Patroclus brought out a large and expensive plant of machinery for the sun, on the south side of the house, stood failure on this point that the merchants ob- the Kenngnan Arsenal, to be used in the manujected to more than to the actual extra duty- facture of Remington and other breech loading and when the subject is divested of the ex- cartridges. It is also reported that a gentleman will come out by the next English mail from the Laboratory Department, Woolwich Argenal to superintend the working of the machinery.

SOCOROW.

(Courier.) Things are about the same bere. Carpenters from office, to look after his aged

precious m tal to H. M. Tung-chi. It winter. s said he instituted a search to be made for the treasure in the Chung-wang-foo, (the Chang Wang's former palace at Soichow) the place where Chang-chi-wan took up his residence when coming to Soochow, the Footais' the Central Government at Peking issued their Yamen not being considered a lucky place by edict ordering the Viceroy of the province to him, because Ting's mother had then lately died pass every year six months at Tientsin, they of Taels in rold, etc., in a fish pond. Of these he sent half a million each to the Fantai and his position, to keep order there; and one would Ngan-cha-fu to keep their tongues quiet. Thus e has 2,000,000 Tacls left to make him comfortable in his old age, if some of his particular riends in Pekin don't come to hear of this, and ask for a loan never to be re-paid,

The following translation of a proclamation issued at Socohow has reached us, showing that I Ip till this problamation appeared nothing ever was beard among the neople there about sonous medicine, so that the Magistrate has lamation. Perhaps, however, Dr. Talmage in Amoy is right, when he says "the Mandarins | are secretly wishing to spread these rumors."

own conclusions:---

isiung-chow in Kwang-tung, via Teh-hica-ksien in | vince. In his communication the Magiatrate be completely nullified; and his so stated at Nan-heiung-chow states that he has received "energy" cannot be placed to our credit a despatch from the Governor General of the as protection during this winter. The me-Twok wang in which it says: It has been morials of Li-bung chang to the Emperor, and brought to my notice, that in the provincial the memorials of the Censors to the Throne, are evil disposed persons who distribute pills from want of subsistence consequent on the incauses great consternation, that any person | Tientain Customs says :- "My enquiries have enting these pills will swell over the whole been, and my notes therefore must be, confined authorities to feret out such persons and arrest them. Let each officer diligently search estimated at about 1000 li from north to south, his district, and if any evil disposed person and 600 li from east to west." As the Comdistributing medicine is found, let such be missioner of Customs no doubt collected his seized and brought before part, and after information from mandarinic data, we will not inquiring from such a one the mature and east any doubt on his statements, which we origin of this medicine, be severely punished. will, in every sense, consider official. Now The Nan-heiung-chow Magistrate adds : After 1000 li are equal to 333 English wiles; and having received this despatch from the Gov- 600 li equal to 200 English miles, which, if

sweetmeat-sellers, which on being analyzed by ing to the extent of country mentioned by the up with the sugar to injure the degree during this winter. in Heiang-chan-hien in this province (Kwang- the unseen, we can form a pretty fair idea of tung) there are persons who are strewing a what, taking the data of the Commissioner of poisonous powder on the roads to injure Customs to be accurate, thirty-one and a half people. This powder will not be washed away millions of the inhabitants of this part of the by a beavy shower of rain, but on treading on North of China are at the present hour suffer-

are other unprincipled fellows going about, taking poisonous powder on the tips of their beads. This first produces red or black spots!

the police to search for such evil disposed per- &c. &c." When the Commissioner of Customs sons and arrest them, as also have ordered all states that 4-10ths of the flooded country forofficers at the six gates (of Soochow) inside or all people, soldiers and the various topaous, so that beings;" for we all are aware that the northern if after this any one sees persons distributing | Obinese use millet largely as food, and that these pills and deceptive sweetments, they at once give information to the topacus, who will seize such persons and bring them to the Yamen Be careful not to be deceived, and so after

Let no one disobey this special proclama-

9th January, :1872. fine thing out of this proclamation, by squeezing sweetment shops and sellers under the having destroyed a number of the houses of the threats to take them to the Yumen as poisoners, if they don't disgorge.

NINGPO.

(N. C. Dailu News.) We mentioned, a few days ago, an accident -men in uniform-pass the bridge free. But leeding the destitute starving pepulation. +

two for the possession of the shovel. Mr. Monday night; and a bigger one on Tuesday decining it beneath him to return the visits of cided that according to the Municipal Bye. laws | Gate. The fire engine, bowever, was quickly | bonor to call upon. the proper course would have been for the on the spot, and as a canal close by gave plenty darin in charge at the Arsenal; struck one from blame.

TIENTSIN.

(N. C. Daily News Correspondent.) The waters on the plains lying to the west and east and of the foreign settlements, are now all frezent and we can to day see Chinese sleights shoved and pulled along by men, over the frozen lakes, as we may at present call the the castern gate of the city down to Taku, is vet open, and a great hody of water is still running down, totally differing in that respect from former seasons at this time of the year. During the last four days, a considerable quantity of broken ice has been floating down the river past the foreign settlements. The thermometer, placed in a spot protected from at 21 degs. this morning; and during the last week it has fluctuated from 18 to 25.

We have lately, during the daytime, seen one or two junks working their way up the river, laden with grain, which they have brought from Lecontung. A few thousand piculs of rice have also been imported in the last steamers which have come from Shanghai and Obefoo. The quantities of rice which have come to Tientain from the province of Honon and the west of Shantung have little exceeded those which come here in ordinary years. Before the and masons are scarcely to be got on account of Takes were frozen over, we saw daily a few of the building of four new Yamens: three are for the inhabitants outching fish by the various the three District Magistrates, and one for the methods used by Chinese for that purpose; but Chitsaou, the officer who is residing in Soochow I cannot to-day see anybody fishing through to look after the making of the Emperor's holes in the ice, so I fear that, the fish hitherto garments. Chang-ohi-wan is about to retire, in the lakes having gone to the deep water of mother. the river since the ice has made, this resource Ramor has it that he would not have succeeded has been cut off. I was in hopes that the fish in getting permission to retire, had he to be caught in the lakes would have helped not been able to make a handsome present of the to feed the people during the approaching Li-hung-chang, the Viceroy of this province.

left Trentsin to-day for Paouting-foo, distant three hundred and sixty li. or one hundred and twenty English miles, from Tientsin. When here. Fancy he should have discovered 3,000,000 had in view that he should be at Tientsin when the state of the country required it, so as, by think that the approaching winter is a time when his presence would be necessary to carry out the spirit, if not the letter, of the edict. The histories of the world tell us that when populations have been suffering from want of food. tumnits, disorders, and lawlessness have arisen. The present winter appears then to be the prothe " Shan Sin-fan" excitement is not dead yet. per time for the Viceroy to be resident at Tientsin. H. B. M.'s Minister in his despatch (as given us in a letter by the British Consul bere) in reply to the application of this community really done more harm than good by his pro- for British Naval protection during the approaching winter, informed us that "he (Mr. Wadel has written to Sir Henry Kellet, that though he has confidence in the energy We are informed on reliable authority the ori- of the Governor-General, he thinks that the ginal letter of the Nan-heiung-chow. the word unhappy condition of the Chinese population E-jon-Barbariane occurred, but was left out in | whom their calamity has left without means of his proclamation by the Magistrate who issues substance, is such as to justify precaution." it. That the Mandarius themselves should be- Now when Li-hung-chang is comfortably lieve such stuff as is written in the proclama boused for the winter, in his yamen in the nonion is almost incredible, but here it is in black inundated city of Pacuting-foo, 120 miles off and white, and so let our readers drew their we should be glad to know from H. B. M.'s Minister of what use his Excellency's "energy" "Wang," a Chi-li-thow Magistrate of the Dis- | will be as a protection to the law-abiding oputrict Yuen-ho, Prefecture Soochow, ect., ect., is- lent Chinese, and to the foreigners resident in sues the following proclamation. A communication the foreign settlements at Tientsin, in case tion has reached us from the Districts Wu-sih and tumulte and disorders do arise among the Kin-kwei, which originally comes from Nan- thousands of starving people of the surrounding country flocking to Tieutein to demand food? Kinngel, Kwang-min-heien in Hupeb, Ch'u-chow, Evidently his direct influence, as the bead Kiang-peh, Ku-yung and Woo-yang in this pro- territorial mandarin of the province, will

capital (Canton) and surrounding country there all inform us of a large population suffering named Shin-hsien fen. (Spirit and genii pow- undution of this province. The last report, ders). Among the people it is stated, and which dated 10th October, 1871, issued from the body. I now common I all civil and military to this province (Chihli). Altogether the extent of flooded country in Chibli may be ernor-General, I at once ordered the police to multiplied together, will give 66,600 square quietly search out this matter. Although no miles English, "of flooded country in Chibli."

ous small worms. It is therefore possible that shall have a population of 31,635,000 suffering police to arrest these evil persons, but they had feet from the level of the original ground, as already fied beyond the boundary of the far as the eye can reach we see the villages like District. I fear therefore that these bundits islands in the midst of lakes; so we know at have gone to other Districts to carry on their this place from ocular observation what a pernicious trade, and so will do much injury to square mile of ground has suffered from the

the same it produces a black smoke. There ing. The Commissioner of Customs states further in his report that 4-10ths of the flooded country produces "kaouleaug, millet for catfingers and gently spattering it on people's the." Geologists in their works use the word "people" in reference to what we in every day on their skin and ultimately they die, there is language call animals; as for instance, in this phrase which I take out of a geological work: "Now this news having reached this District | "The plains of South America were densely Ynen-ho-hien, Soochow) I have given orders to peopled by megatherium, megalonyr, myloden, merly produced millet for cattle, we presume the outside to diligently and secretly look to this word "cuttle" is used in a kind of geological matter. I therefore issue this proclamation for fastion, and consequently includes "human this food has been destroyed by the inundation. From the above account, it will be seen that

winter has set in here with its rigorous cold; that, in consequence of the lawlessness of the disorderly characters of Tientsin in 1870, and the local mandarins having failed to keep order. the Central Government at Peking had last tion. Tungchi, 10th year, 11th moon, year commanded the Vicercy at Chihi to take up his residence at Tientsin, to keep order for_ the future; that, although this region has been No doubt the Yamen runners will make a suffering, is now suffering, and will suffer great distress in consequence of the inundation inhabitants and the whole of the crops of this year; and although apprehensions are entertained by the foreign residents und the Tientain well to do people, of lawless characters creating disturbances-still the Viceroy has left Tieutsin and retired to bis capital, which has not suffered from the inundation; leaving occurred subsequently, illustrates the degree of lonly subordinate territorial mandarins, viz. cemetery, and a guard of eight men was sent has been shown above, and from knowing that

comparison with Taeng-kwo-fan, a secondary 🌋

During the last week there has been a ra-Council to have summoned Mr. Smith for open of water, the flames were got under after three mour in the city that the Peking Government tached to the moral aspect of the question by ling the road, but not to have sent a policement houses had been burned. There is no other had a short time back received very discournews here, except that every one is abusing for aging news from Kansub, to the effect that the The Courses notices an extraordinary dis. not having bought the wreck of the Full-it; it Mahomedan rebels have lately appeared in turbance which has occurred at the Arsinal. seems to be thought Messrs. Boyd & Co. have great force in that province and had bester It would appear that early on the morn, made a good shot. A Naval Court held to en- back the Government troops in every direction;

very dis ffectual and refused to fight. Tsoteung-tang, the Viceroy of Shense and Kansub, had, rumour further stated, sont in bis re- instant. signation to Poking, owing to his great age and bodily infirmities having rendered him no longer able to perform the duties of his post. The local government here have during the last few days been busy packing up money for district, named Tenou-ko-chung, reputed to be an able military leader, being ordered to Shense to take command of the troops there, supposed to be acting against the Mahomedan

As from all sides we hour of peculation and incapacity existing rampant amongst the Chinese governing class of the empire, and as the present rebellion is carried on by then who are firmly bound together by religion, who have a numerous body of co-religionists throughout all the North of China, and who no doubt can easily obtain supplies of arms and other munitions of war from Northern and Western traders over whom the Chinese Government have no control, I cannot see how the Peking Government can ever hope to effectually put down the Mahomedan rebellion; and I very much fear that the day is near when the mes of the north of China will be under the rule of Mahomedans.

9th December, 1871.

18th December. On the afternoon of the 9th inst. the cit authorities arrested eight men, (some of whom are said to be connected with a secret society inimical to the raing dynasty,) who were with others creating a disturbance near the north gate of the city. Four of these men were set at liberty five days later, three are in prison and have been condemned to some punishment. not yet made public, and one was yesterday morning beheaded at the execution ground outside the west gute of the city. He was named Lo-tsung-yib, a native of Teintsin. about 32 years of age, and by religion a Maho-

Li-hung-chang left Tientsin at 8 a.m. of the 9th instant, and at noon of the same day the Ustoms Taotai sent a circular letter to the foreign officials at Tientsin, to the effect that, "owing to there being this winter a great number of distressed people in the surrounding country, he was apprehensive that travellers would be plundered on the road between Tientsin and Peking, if precautionary measures be not adopted to prevent such. As, however, his Excellency Chin, the military commandant of Tientsin, had told him that he would appoint soldiers to escort the messengers taking money to Peking, if the Consuls would previously inform him when they or their countrymon would be alout sending messengers with money or other valuables. "would acquaint the commandant of such, that he may appoint soldiers to escort them, and thus prevent their being plundered on the road; a matter of importance.

If I could not produce any other evidence t show the danger of lawlessness likely to exis at Tientsin during the winter, this letter, giving the opinions of two of the Tientsen mandarine, would alone I imagine be conclusive on

[† It strikes us that our correspondent much | exaggerates the prospect of trouble. Marauding is likely to occur in the country; but Li is not foolish enough to absent bimself if there were likelihood of serious trouble at Tientsin.— Ed. D. N.

The local, civil and military mandarine patrol the streets of the city and suburb every night; and from here to Peking, on the grand route, soldiers belonging to the Tientsin commandant patrol. The river is yet quite open from here to Takoo, and we see every day a few janks going to or coming from that place. The river water opposite the settlements has only fallen 31 inches below the highest water of 6th Oot. The Yungting river has always flowed into the Tientsin river: and as it does so this year so it did last, but last year we had no high water at this day of the month. This great volume of water must then be coming from some source south of here. the Yellow river; and this fact has just been! confirmed to me by a traveller who has come up from Chinkeang. What is there to show that we shall not next year see this low coun-Try flooded like last year? Nothing; and I too will have to find some place for them to emi-Tientein, and on several occasions have been seen in the streets leading them about, in the same way as we saw Chinese lead Peking | dogs about for sale when steamers were in supplies to come to Tientsin from the west part of the prefecture; but when the river gets clused. I fear the owners of the provisions will be plundered en route. The Yamen people be his first duty to enquire thoroughly into the here speak openly about the imperial soldiers | in Kansub and Shonse having suffered several defeats at the hands of the Mahomedan rebels: so the rumours I heard some two weeks back about the trouble the Central Government was in regarding the state of affairs in Shense must be true. These Mahomedan rebels can easily get supplies of arms and ammunition from Western and Northern traders, and it is quite impossible for the Chinese Government to check i this traffic. This news will act upon next year's import trade, and prevent the Shanse men them freely in all matters of principle or lease, in regard to the boundary and the facili- thought things were in a very satisfactory operating for the Western markets next apring. detail connected with the Police Force. Things scarcely ever run smoothly in this coan- But although for these reasons Lord Kimtry; and no sooner does one calamity cease than others start up, interfering with the tranquillity of the region.

I have already written you a note, but add another line. The Yamen people bere continue to speak of the Mahomedan robels carrying everything before them. Kansuh affairs are giving the Peking authorities much anxiety. The Mahowedan people in Tientsin are very much enraged because the authorities behended one of their creed for merely fighting in the streets, a fortnight back. On the headless appointing, body being buried, about 600 Mahomedans followed the coffin; and the Mahomedans here have petitioned the Emperor regarding the illegality of the act of the officials in beheading their exreligionist. I hear that several of the authorities are willing to give the mother of the man money to end the case, but she has refused to receive it. I suspect this affair will cause the local, as also the Peking authorities, no small amount of trouble and care. We hear that Ohunghow left Murseilles on the 10th December, for Shanghui, so he will reach your port soon after this does. 2nd January, 1872.

31st December, 1871.

PEK N. The N. C. Daily News gives the following translation of a characteristic memorial which

appears in the Pekin Guzette:lest she should die in a strange place, be the astablishment to make room for the new- Harris, their acknowledgments for the care he carried her home again—a distance of 1,000 comers, although several of them had been inmates has displayed in the superintendence of the ther died. He buried her beside his father, and One of them, the oldest, who entered the Re- A. DAVENPORT. Chairman, mised a mound over her with his own hands. formatory seven years ago, and who was one of ALEX. J. JOHNSTON, He grieved so bitterly at her death that he the first we received, got married during the F. B. Johnson, wasted to a mere skeleton, and wept till his tears | year, and after his marriage he prayed hard | W. HANDYSTDE TAPP. became blood, and slept at night out by her to be allowed to work for the Institution; | Shanghai, October 31st, 1871. food, he thought of her who had been his com- appointed him in the quality of master, to to them the Secretary said it would be seen by panion so many years, and ate it weeping teach and superintend the others. It may the statement that the sum of \$1,119.51 anbitterly. At the usual sensons he never fails to perhaps appear strange, but it is not withstand- peared to the balance of the working account; take a bowl of rice, and crawling up to his ing a fact, that the direction of the reforma- besides this, the sum of \$374.63 had been parents grave to offer it there. He is now 60 | tory have always made it a point not to be | realized by the Canteen, shewing a total years of age. So unusual an exhibition of the means to entice any to remain in the Refor- balance of \$1494 14 to the credit of the Institu-

YOKOHAMA. slight alterations.

The Railway between Kobe and Osaka is pro- helps to remind them that they must work to

bridges, &c., arrives from home.

Nagasaki and Shanghai: - The telegraph ing, but owing to their zeal in learning three the chain securing them is doubled, and the masters of their trude. shackle placed at a depth of fifteen feet under | The piece of ground for gardening attached water. Should any Jurther depredations of a to the Reformatory, which was formerly so bar-

only three tons to the mile." stantaneous likeness of His Majosty the Mikado | energy and their botanical talents. In the on a recent visit of his to Yokohama. The midst of so many useful labours, education is Government bought up the prints and the not forgotten; there is a school attached to negative at a high price from the photographer, the Reformatory which is frequented during who stood by his right. The Japan Mail no- the day by the youngest, and in the evening tices that us so many opportunities offer for when the shops are closed by all the boys taking such likenesses, this stop is only offering ! They are taught simply how to read and write their families, and easily obtain permission to | European language in the Reformatory, howgo abroad with them-a vast change from the ever, we don't neglect the boys who show great time when they were ordered to the capital intelligence and evince their inclination to learn and confined there. The attendance of the European languages, as well as the branches

present, and he remains at Shidzouka. Messis. Sutherland & U., was also destroyed; on the snot, and rendered good service in pre-

REPLY TO THE MEMORIAL ON THE HONGKONG POLICE FORCE. The following zoply has been sent by the Colonial Secretary to the 'ommittee appointed at the recent Public Meeting in Hongkong:-Hongkong, No. 48.

venting the conflagration from spreading.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE that by the last mail His Excellency received a establishments is the only thing required at pre-Honorable the Earl of Kimberley, who desires | number of the inmates, or by attaching to it His Excellency to inform the Memorialists that | a new branch for the older boys, or by having the condition of the Police Force has for con- a small Colony out at Kowloong, or some other sidemble time been a source of anxiety to His | retired spot, in the form of a farm. by the Grand Canal and across the country from Lordship, and that he had had frequent comject. His Lordship has further instructed and benefit of our young flock. We therefore the Police Force, and to spend on it a con- its kind assistance, in order that we may extend much fear we may henceforth see all this low siderable portion of the Special Fund. His the good work which is still in its infancy. country a great lake. What will become of the Lordship had been enabled to secure in Eng. We have proved that the Institution works inhabitants in that case? The Government land a certain number of well trained Police of | well, but we have not in our hands the means good character, young and physically strong, to make the Reformatory as we should like to grate to. There is plenty of room for them in and trusts to be able to obtain more men of see it one of the largest establishments of the Mongolia, a country to a great degree lying the same stamp, and confidently hopes that the Colony. useless from the ignorance and mode of life of Governor's experience will enable him to estathe aboriginals; and if the agricultural Chinese blish an improved condition of affairs. His went there, it would produce crops sufficient Lordship fears, however, that the complete reto support millions of human beings. People organization of the Police System, to which are bringing their female children for sale to the Memorialists point, and which may perhaps prove to be necessary, cannot well be undertaken by Sir Richard MacDonnell, as the terminition of his tenure of office is so near at hand. He is, however, authorized to inform | Present-A. Davenport, Esq., H.B.M. Acting port. The open state of the river enables the petitioners that his Successor will, before proceeding to the Colony, be made fully ac. Mr. Syle, F. B. Johnson, Esq., Dr. Johnston, in the way things were carried on. The quainted with the condition of affairs and with the views of the Memorialists, and it will

After giving the Memorial careful consideration. His Lordship is of opinion that the anpointment at the present moment of the proposed Commission would not be opportune, and that it would be better for the Governor's Successor to enter on so important a question without finding any points prejudged, or any recommendations formally placed on record, held it over till it should be submitted to the thought everything had been done to improve He will have the advantage of bearing the opinions of the Legislative Council, and consulting advise Her Majesty to comply with the

prayer of the Memorialists, His Lordship feels it unnecessary to commend the subject to the Governor's most serious attention, and requests him to take whatever steps he may deem practicable for effecting an immediate improvement in the efficiency of the Force, I am further directed to acquaint you that. previous to the receipt of the Despatch above referred to, His Excellency had received a Telegram from the Earl of Kimberly approving of the Commission which he had decided on

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, your most obedient Servant. J. GARDINER AUSTIN. Colonial Secretary.

WEST POINT REFORMATORY. REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1871.

It is with the greatest pleasure and satisfaction that we, this year, lay before the public sels visiting the port having lessened the numthe annual report of this justitution. The re- ber of inmates, it became necessary to authoformation gives us less trouble than any other rise the Superintendent to increase the cost of of our establishments, and nevertheless we I rationing per head, and some other minor al fully believe it to be the most fruitful. It is terations have been made in the Rules. going on quietly, but steadily, and proves to be whatever point of view we consider it, moral, structed, and a few necessary alterations have ment might be provided a bowling alley, for physical or industrious, we cannot in any way been made in both to add to the comfort of the feel disappointed for the pains which we have inmates. hestowed upon it. The inmates of the reformatory are evidently improving in moral for the sum of three hundred dollars, from 1st been pulled down. habits; they are trained up to consider work as August to 14th June next. The lieut.-governor of Shantung reports a a natural duty, and are taught not to treat it wonderful instance of filial piety. A person with aversion, and from the treatment which Mr. Tapp's absence. named Li Heien-ju, when his father died, sold they receive, they feel ut home in un the little land he had in order to bury his establishment which unfortunately is gene- satisfactory. parent in a becoming manner. His grief at his rally considered a place of punishment and The condition of the finance is promising, as father's death was very great. There was a looked upon with delike. Even during this will be seen from the statement. famine about that time in his native place year, as well as during the last six precedent. The revenue of the Home cannot be accurate-(Feicheng), and being unable to support his mo. years, among the greater number of house ly judged from the first half of its fiscal year; ther, he took her on his back and went forth to | boys, now in the Reformatory, as well as among | the incidence of the trade of the port must be beg. In this manner he travelled to Kweite | those who have already left it, there was not | given consideration to; in the summer, the in Honan. Whatever he got he gave to one found guilty of petty offences. Some have prosperity of the Home is at its height; but the without any food, though be carefully carpenters and tailors. With the exception of receipts to the minimum, while the current exconcealed this from his mother. In the these who have been employed, we could only penditure remains the same. following year she became ill, and fearing with great difficulty prevail upon a few to leave | The Committee beg to tender, to Mr. Wilmer

In the 25th year of Tackwang his. mo. of the Reformatory for more than three years. Accounts. Whenever any one gave him a little as he is a very good carpenter we have

filial poity deserves recognition, and the mem- matery, and this system proves to be a success, tion. orialist hopes the Emperor will be pleased to and has the desired effect. The boys are at In reply to a question put by Mr. Johnson, bestow suitable honors on this most worthy liberty to leave the home whenever they like. Mr. Bowen said the rationing had been increasbut during the time they choose to remain they I ed from 85c. to \$1 per diem.

must subjuit themselves to a very strict disoi. I In roply to Mr. Syle, the Secretary said the Dates from the above port are to the 13th pline. At five o'clock in the morning they date of 31st October had been chosen for closing get up, and as soon as they are drested they the accounts, owing to the departure of the The Chamber of Commerce have passed the many be seen, some washing the dormitories, gentleman acting as Secretary, report upon the revision of Treaty, with some some the corridors, and others sweeping Mr. Johnson proposed that the report be the workshops. About six o'clock the re- passed. The Japanese Government have communicat- galar day's work begins in the shops till halfed to the Foreign Representatives that they do past nine; and half-past ten they resume not intend to alter the prohibition on the ox- work till five o'clock in the afternoon, with The Secretary then read the Superintendent's port of Rice, but that it is intended hencefore a short interval at one o'clock. After dinner ward, when there is a surplus in the country, as | they relax themselves with running and jumpcircumstances may demand, that some of the ing, and various innocent games. In fact, the rice stored by the Board of Finance shall be directors do their atmost to keep the boys consold at the open Ports by public tender to stantly occupied, and even during their Jupanese and Foreigners for exportation. The recreation they encourage them to play date for sending tenders will be notified on heartily. The food is abundant, but simple each occasion at the open Ports. On certain their clothing clean, but nothing that in any way occasions the Government may export on its might give them an undue consideration of their position is granted to them, everything

gressing as quickly as be expected; and will be get their livelihood, and they who are the most rapidly completed when the iron work for industrious are allowed a pair of abocs and stockings to use when they go out for a walk The Japan Mail gives the following par- Formerly we were able only to have them ticulars concerning the telegraph between taught the carpentering, shoemaking, and tailor oable between Nagasaki and Shanghai has branches we thought good to encourage them now been fully repaired, and if no injury by adding the bookbinding, besides which is done to the cable on the Chinese side some of them are learning the printing busithere need be no unticipation of a further ness at the Press attuched to St Saviour's break down. The Chinese, however, are ap- college. This year, the boys have made very parently determined to prevent telegraphic great progress in the art of printing, and we communication between Ohina and Japan being ourselves are astonished at their proficiency in perfect; for on every possible opportunity they | carpentry, as most of them are now employed cut and steal the cable, actually going so far in assisting a few first class carpenters whom as to buoy the end in order to know where to we engaged for the work of the New Church find a further store. The Chinese also steal the | which we are now building. We expect them, buoys laid down by the telegraph officers, unless | now that they have good teachers, to become

similar nature take place between Woosung | ren, has been, though the indefatigable efforts and Shanghai, it will probably be necessary to of our young gardeners turned into a delicious re-lay that portion of the line with cable spot, where plants, both European and Asiatio. weighing eighteen tons to the mile, a weight flourish in abundance, and not a nook in it which cannot be raised to the surface by the could be found on which our young workmen Chinese. The weight of the cable at present is have not displayed their skill. Sometimes the noor fellows ask us to give them another piece A photographer succeeded in taking an in- of ground on which they could display their their own language. The directors since the All the ex-Daimois are now in Yedo with beginning thought proper not to teach any Shogun alone has been dispensed with for the of science, and we admitted them into our school in the town. During the past year, the It is also worthy of note that the Governa Directors of a College for the Chinese in Italy, ment are sending men of one Ken as Daisanji have offered in five gratuitous places for the of another Ken. This is done as opportunity poor boys who would have distinguished themoffers, and has even taken place in the great | selves in the Reformatory for their good beha viour, and we had the pleasure of forwarding that A fire broke out on night of the 2nd instant, | number to the Asiatic College in Naples-five about twenty minutes past 12," in the store of | very intelligent and smart little fellows, whose Mr. Hohnholtz, which was totally destroyed. I travelling expenses were kindly paid out of the A portion of the new stabling erected for | funds of the same College. A short time since otherwise little or no damage was done. The it appears that even during their passage and American and steam fire engines were quickly their stay in Bombay by their good demeanour

we received very good information of them, and they became the favourites of the town of Bombay. Examiners spoke very highly of the boys as well as of the Institution from which they come. We consider the Reformatory one of the most healthy and salubrious Establishments in the Colony: out of 54 inmates, which is the general average, not a single one has required the Doctor's service during seven years, has convinced us of the permanence of the Institution. We have to confess that when we started it we had some doubts of its success; we sure-22nd January, 1872. In intended to give it a trial, and we are greatly GENTLEMEN. With reference to the Me- indebted to the encouragement given us by the norial addressed to the Sceretary of State re-lacinmunity as well as by the Government questing appointment of a Commission of Now that we have proofs that we are working on inquiry into the Police. I am directed by the a sure ground, and that the undertaking is Governor to acquaint you, for the information stable, we deel that the time has arrived to exof the gentlemen who signed the Cocument, | tend its sphere. To enlarge and increase the despatch of the 1st December from the Right | sent; this may be done either by increasing the

Numerous are the ideas and plans which pre munication with the Governor on the sub- sent themselves to our minds for the welfare

His Excellency in connection with the suppression hope that the community, as well as the Governsion of the Gambling Houses to strengthen | ment, will not only continue, but even increase

> T. RAIMONDI. Hongkong, 17th January, 1872.

THE SAILORS' HOME, SHANGHAL

(N. C. Daily Nows, Jany. 13th) The annual meeting of the Sailors' Home Committee was beld at the home yesterday. Consul. Chairman: Roy. Canon Butcher, Rev. and Mr. W. H. Tapp, Secretary. The Committee on meeting proceeded to inspect the building, and expressed themselves thoroughly satisfied with the repairs and alter-

ations that had been made, and with the nest appearance of the Home and out-buildings. Mr. Johnson then brought forward the lease of the river frontage under the agreement pre-Committee.

the Home at low water mark requiring open be full the men would still be very crowded. communication with the river, which should not be interrupted by overlapping stems or sterns of vessels, and that the roofs of buildings put up on the wharf should not be higher lease was then passed.

The Secretary then read the following re-Report of the Working Committee of the Shanakai Sailors' Home:

The Committee, npon assuming charge, were handed a form of Constitution and Code of Re-Mr. Tapp's scheme was well designed at the date of its adoption, and though certain modi-

fications have become necessary, its main features remain unaltered. The opening of the Sucz Canal and consequent diminution of the number of suiling res-

The home and out-buildings have been rea permanent and successful institution. From paired; in some cases the latter were recon-

Mr. Ford was appointed Secretary during The general working of the Institution is

Committee.

The accounteure heregiven, and with reference

to relieve distressed seamen.

Dr. Johnston seconded, Carried unanimous-

report, which la as follows:ed the Home during the five months and a half ending October 31st, 1871, viz.:-

Government men from 1 24 at 31.25 1 the different Consulates [20 at 50 o Distressed Foreigners Fund at 50 c...... Destitute Seamen......32

borne in mind that the men entered the Home men who, if allowed to remain idle on shore. would in all probability have committed themden on the Community. made to suit the circumstances of the scamen

that is to say, formerly a seaman could only posits from \$5 to \$24. been reduced to \$1.50 in the cases of men who

the Home within three months. conduct has occurred in the Home.

E. EUSTACE BOWEN, Supt. Shanghai, 31st Oct., 1871. trance fee, it might be well to explain that week, but whether it has, or not, we have not many vessels shipped crews here for three been able to ascertain; the officials felt so se

accounts was, considering that the Home was them away, that "this time their friends the established for the benefit of scamen and a ba- foreigners should know nothing of their torturlance was shown, should they not reduce the lings and sufferings. charges ? Could they not reduce the rationing again, as they had a balance of \$1,500.

The Secretary said the report stated that the revenue should not be judged by the first half | Nations to their respective governments. We of the fiscal year; the Home lost in the winter commend the prudence of this step, instead of Mr. Johnson-Would it lose. \$1,500? Is it local hireling officials, who even, were they willessary to keep so much in hand The Superintendent thought it was. In re- of government orders. This is evident from

ply to Mr. Johnson, the Superintendent further boarding houses in Hongkow would be \$1 a indignant protest against the same, he was told for his apprehension. He has made away with stated that the charge for men in the outside Mr. Johnson said, in publishing the report

expect to profit by this balance. The Secretary said it was understood that would go to the relief of scamen. Mr. Sylo said it should also be borne in mind that the period reported on was the most lucrative portion of the year.

what from steamers. been discharged from steamers into the Home. showing that they were commencing to dis-Working Committee, if the state of the funds

later on justified it. Mr. Johnson said, speaking for the debenture holders, it was their desire, as soon as the In reply to Mr. Syle, the Superintendent

said the charge in Hongkong was \$6 a week but food was cheaper there, and the Home was rent free, so that relatively they managed more cheaply in hanghai. It reply to a further question, Mr. Bowen said men now stayed in ing alive! as they did to some four thonthe Home only 15 days, for a mouth that they The Chairman-But still you get the guaran-

The Superintendent—Yes: that goes to pay for medical attendance, which many of the men The S cretary pointed out that \$100 appear-

ed in the accounts for drawing up agreements. which would not occur next half-year. Mr. Johnson suggested that the remission of fire put into their mouths until their persecutaxes should be obtained from the Municipality. A few remarks followed on this, and it appeared that the Council, on principle, included of Jeaus! These, Ye Christian Statesmen of charitable institutions in their assessment Mr. Johnson promised, however to bring the matter up at the next Ratenavers' meeting. The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Souper. Municipal Scoretary, explaining his unavoid-

able absence from the meeting, and then requested Dr. Johnston to favour them with his fathers have lived and died, (theirs' being no Costa. the Home. Dr. Johnston said he had only taken charge

since he returned from England last August, previous to which Dr. Sibbald visited the Home. noticed tended to show a decided improvement Home had been kept very well and clean, and in the treatment of patients he found a much greater amount of comfort since they got a proper sick ward. When wine or special diet was ordered, it was always given, and he noticed that there were fewer cases of illness from excossive drinking and a smaller amount of venereal affections than before he had last attended viously made with Mr. Mackie, of Olyphant's it. He did not know what that was owing to, Wharf. It had been presented to him for whether Dr. Henderson's endeavours had been signature since his return to Shanghai, but he successful in that direction. Altogether he religion. the condition of matters generally in the Home

Some discussion ensued on the terms of the He was usually there three times a week, and ties for ingress and egress to and from the state. With regard to the dormitories, the acberly has not thought it expedient to limit as defined also in Mr. Bowen's lease) of for the sick very large, but if the Home were to The Superintendent said the bunks were

never all occupied, though built so close. There was accommodation for 40 men, but they never but more than 20 in. He was going to than the first floor of the Home. The draft suggest the substitution of bedsteads for bunks, toniebment, and this is, the dissimulation and last five years? Mr. Johnson thought they should devote some of their surplus to getting cheap iron

The Secretary said the surplus had been for the present put down to capital account. He would suggest that any profit that might accune should be used for the benefit of the Home by gulations, framed by Mr. Tapp, and adopted by the Working Committee at the end of the Superintendent's agreement.

Dr. Johnston further remarked that it would be a very great thing to get somebody to take up the matter of the Library and Reading Room. He had no doubt there were many in Shanghai who read books which they had no desire to keep for reference, and would gladly give to the Home if asked.

The Superintendent said the men would appreciate books or papers very much. The community had been very kind in sending a large amount of clothing, which had been supplied to numerous destitute and ship wrecked seamen. instance, as there was room on the premises. In reply to Mr. Johnson, Mr. Bowen said

be made to provide both a bowling alley and a billiard table, which it was thought would help to withdraw the men from outside temptations. It was also stated that officers and engineers would go to the Home in preference to Hotels. if they could find such means of recreation.

It was understood that an endeavour should

Board of Trade paid for seamen only. and be would, with the consent of the Committee, see into the matter.

Mr. Johnson remarked that the Council seemed to be relieving Her Mujesty's and other Consuls of their duty, but it was not for them. to discuss the matter. The Chairman said he was only empowered

extent of £300, for China, Japan and Siam.

This was agreed to.

supposed to be in destitution abroad. This concluded the meeting, which broke up with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS IN JAPAN. The Nagasaki Gazette contains the following

terrible account of the personations being inflicted upon the native Christians in Japan. It seems The following number of seamen have enter- astonishing that such barbarities can be committed by a nation which in other respects show lowing announcement:itself so much disposed towards progress and enlightenment:

We have just had time in our last issue to no-

tice the revival of the infamous persecutions

uninet Christianity at this port by the Japan-

cae government. Since then further particulars have come to our notice of the barbarons intentions of these floadish agents of torture With regard to Destitute Seamen, it must be and tyranny, to repeat their inhuman and diabolical actions of 1870. The present persecution without a cent, and were ultimately provided has been instigated by the Prince of Eags, of with employment, thus ridding the Port of anti-Christian notoriety, and intrusted to the official myrmidon from the Mikado's Court who is well versed in the refinement of cruelty. The terms of entering the Home have been ry them off in small drafts, and thus avoid the indignation of the civilized world, which a knowledge of their actions would necessarily enter the establishment upon making a deposit | entail. In this they have been disappointed of \$33, now he is admitted upon reduced de- but not before the first batch of sixtyseven inoffensive men, all fathers of famiingo. Of this number of poor barmless Chrisship in consting vessels, should they re-enter | tans, how many are surviving their tortures today. God alone and their torturers can tell; we I seever, from Saturday, inclusive, the 20th day of Janu-The conduct of the inmates has been very only know upon reliable authority how com- lary, 1872. satisfactory-not one instance of disorderly paratively happy would it have been for the death alone awaited them. The second of these

poor sufferers if an instantaneous and merciful human sacrifices to the Moloch of Japan, our The Secretary said, with regard to the en- boy Mikado,* was to have taken place this months, from the House, and these men paid cure in the precautions adopted to keep the whole a matter of privacy, that they taunted tive of the slender basis upon which the whole Mr. Johnson said the only question with the their poor victims by saying, when conveying

We understand that the foreign Consuls have already communicated the particulars of their vainly attempting to remonstrate with the ing, are unable to interfere with the execution the fact that when Sir Harry Parkes was here during the persecution of 1870, and entered his executioner sent down from Yedo, that they it should be distinctly stated that they did not could not consent either to suspend or delay even until he could get back to Yedo, "that: other course was open to them but to carry out their orders." Our renders will not be surprised at the insolence of this reply, when they read the proceedings of a subsequent "conference held in Yedo in January 1870, on the subject of the persecution of Christians in Nagasa-The Secretary said eight whole crews had Mr. von Brant, foreign Ministers; particulars and after this stayed away on the plea of being of which will appear in our future numbers. These will show in their true colors the type charge as sailing vessels did. He suggested of men that comprise the present Embassy that the reduction of rutes should be left to the and how faithfully they represent their wretched government. The time is propitious, and we mean to avail ourselves of it, as the chief of cover that sum. On a rough calculation this the Embassy is the well known Ewakurs. who is both the Nero and Caiphas of Christianity Government will not loss much. On the news Home was out of debt, to reduce the rent and in Japan, and who is now on his way to present do everything to lighten the payments required his credentials at the Christian Courts of the West. This man has had the hardihood to tell the foreign Ministers, in conference that his government was acting "mildly" to these poor Christians, because it had changed their usual and "legitimate" mode of torture. from "arneifixion" (and he could have added, boilsand in the geysers of Simibara, to that now adopted, viz.: starvation and imprisonment in filthy stables, without clothing, light, or air, in the depth of winter I and at other times bound hands and feet, in a state of nudity, and

> supplied to them, in the shape of sour fruits, as was requisite to prolong their lives and torments and again by baving burning coals of be appropriately paid out of the Special Fund. tors suggeded either in exhausting human nature or getting them to blasphene the name they profess the religion in which their fore. Sherwood, Dantra, Lyall, Hitchcock, and Da

exposed on their backs on ice-ponds in most

inclement weather, having just enough of food

He could say, however, that everything he Japanese government) understood and believed ference to the Report he would be happy to hear the too rapid progress now being made to be necessary, they would still execute them. are better not mentioned when the subject is themselves, forming a separate Company for select few of his own countrymen and not a

ed barbarian of Japan is to present himself during half the year, in the typhoon season. at the Courts of these Ministers, to whom there were often three steamers here. At prehe has been on this occasion so uncompro- sent the Company took half the risk, and in case mising. Can the Hon. Mr. de Long forget of a loss they would have to look to their reserve. Home. Strict reservation was made setting the commodation for officers was very good, and that the past when introducing this Embassy to But it would be a beavy pull on their resources his government? We think he can not. Can to bear the whole loss, if a loss should arise. without as much respect being shown him as Sir Harry Parkes on the like occasion forget There would then be a serious risk that the would have been paid a short time since to one the past? We are sure he will not; neither | whole reserve might be swept off. can the other Ministers who were present at Mr. WICKING said he meant that the Com-

that memorable interview. subtlety of the Japanese government! We Mr. WELLER said there had been nothing to understand that certain high officials have sent speak of. to America along with the Embassy some young females to acquire a civilized education. This | tion in the form of a resolution after the passhas been highly lauded, and at first sight looks | ing of the accounts. a praiseworthy action; and was meant no Dr. Adams said that before the accounts the Jho Sho Maru, his largest ship, and an doubt to have full effect upon the countries to were put to the meeting, he wished to ask on be visited by the Embassy. We doubt, how. what the amount of \$47,000 for repairs had ever, that the action will be so highly appre. been spent. The Kiukiang was mentioned in ciated when its motives become known? the Report, but it could not all have been ex-

And we earnestly wish the Christian pended on ber. termined advocate of the persecutions which White Cloud. originated by him previous to his departure Mr. Weller, that the Report and Accounts do from this country; that he is furthermore the pass. This was carried unanimously. cause of driving into bondage, and what is Mr DIXWELL proposed, seconded by Dr. namely, selling to those unmentionable re- i appointed Auditors for the ensuing year. Carsorts of iniquity, thousands of the virtuous fried unanimously.

The motivo of the government must now seem plain for sending these few children to America, who are evidently looked upon by it as so many victims, sacrificed to its ex-The Chairman asked if Mr. Bowen had any pediency, and merely mount to mislead the forproposal to make with regard to distressed eign governments respecting its retrogressive British subjects. They were unfortunately conduct, and uphold the delusion of its prosituated in this way: if a seaman had been on gressive advancement. We cannot but recogshore six months, he became a subject, and hise a similitude between the words of Ewakura his mother, and passed whole days himself obtained situations in the town as shoemakers, reduced state of shipping in winter confines the there were no funds for relieving him. The and his neferious prototype, when in answer to the foreign Ministers' request, "that he The Secretary said the destitute foreigners' would desist from further punishing these poor year, and always negatived. fund provided for such cases. But there were people for their religious convictions," he said. few subscribers. He read a letter accepting a "it was expedient that these people should be proposal made by the Superintendent to the punished, so as to secure the safety of the coun-Municipal Council, to take charge of distressed | try." Is this a fitting person to be introduced Members of the foreigners at this port for the sum of 50c, per into the circles of the Christian Ladies of man per diem, provided the Council paid \$40 Washington, whose sense of honor and a month towards Reeping up the Home. Cer. | virtue is proverbial? Is this a fitting tain arrangements still remained to be made, person to be presented to the Christian Queen. of Great Britain, whose virtues and deeds have might be practicable, but as it was they took immortalized her name? We most emphatically say, HH IS NOT. In conclusion, we call upon our brethern of the Press to assist us in exposing to the indignation of the civilized world the iniquitous per-

> * Terashima, the Japanese Minister of foreign affairs told our Ministers at the Conference of 1870, "That the Mikado is the direct descendant of the Spirit I and for I punish the Christians.

raise their remonstrance as, in one voice, Company to reduce it. against our Christian Powers tolerating in thefuture such an inducement to the moralless (Laughter.) government of Japan, as that which the absence from our Treaties of any clause protecting the Christian Religion now presents.

END OF THE GAMBLING LICENCES. The Gazette of the 13th inst. contains the fol-

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. The following Rules and Regulations made by His Excellency. The Governor in Council, in pursuance of Section XVIII of Ordinance No. 9 of 1867, are published for general information:

By Command, J. GARDINER AUSTIN.

... Oolonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, 18th January, 1872.

Rules and Regulations made by the Governor in Conncil, in pursuance of the powers given in that behalf by Ordinance No. 9 of 1847. Section XVIII. 1.-Whereas it is expedient to repeal the Rules and selves, or must have in some way become a bur. The intended victims number over two thous Regulations for the licensing and control of Caming in ennd, but it was contemplated to seize and car. certain places, passed by the Governor in Council under ry them off in small drafts, and thus avoid the authority of Section XVIII of Ordinance No. 9 of 1867, it is hereby notified that all Rules, Regulations, and Conditions heretofore made and published by the Governor in Council under authority of the said Ordinance, and more especially the Rules, Regulations, and Conditions recommend that this amount should be distrimade by the Governor in Conneil, on and bearing date butted as follows, viz. : to the Depreciation and the 15th day of August, 1867, the 12th day of Septem-The guarantee fee, which as a rule is \$3, has lies, were made away with, some eighteen days bor, 1868, the 14th day of January, 1870, and the 17th rate of 8 per cent. on the paid up Capital. day of March 1871, respectively, are hereby repealed, and declared to be null and void, and of no effect what-

> Approved in Council, RICHARD GRAVES MACDONNELL. 18th January, 1872.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO,

Clerk of Councils. This is, of course, the end of the Gambling Licenses. It is somewhat strikingly illustrat can be entirely annulled.

ABSCONDING OF THE SHROFF OF THE HONGKONG POLICE COURT. Considerable sensation was created on Saturthis inbuman outrage and insult to Obristian day, the 13th instant, by the announcement that the shroff of the Police Court had absounded with large same of money. This worthy is believed now to be on his way to San Francisco in the Pacific Mail. which left on Friday, though a report is also current to the effect that he is still in the Colony cettling up his affairs, and it might, therefore, be perhaps desirable to offer a reward by Noumura, the governor, and Watanabe, the large sums belonging to some traders and to the unlucky Sikh Policemen, who were induced to entrust him with their cash for a consideration no of 24 per cent. The amount taken is variously estimated between \$30,000 and \$60,000. The exact sum of course can only be uncertained on going over his accounts. The amount which he eld for the Sikh Policemen, was probably not less than \$20,000, and it is said that there are other members of the Force who entrusted mates the Home received from sailing ships and ki," which was convened by the circular note of their savings to him. For several days before Sir Harry Parkes, Mr. de Long, M. Outray and going away be feigned illness in the Court.

bind bim a letter purporting to show the balance due to the Government to be about \$180, and stating that there were employes in the Court who owed him sufficient statement appeared to be correct, so that the reaching the Sikhs, a large number of them put down their arms, and declared themselves too ili for duty. Their statement was that the delinquent carried off no less than a total of about \$30,000 belonging to them, but this is probably considerably over the mark. Some, lowever, bad deposited sums of \$500, \$600, and in some instances as much as \$700. It seems that latterly the Sikha had been pressing the shroff for their money, in view of their approaching departure, and that this was the immediate cause of his abscording. It is stated that on the Friday previous he mortgaged his property had received the money. It is to be hoped that something may be done to reimburse at all events the unlucky Sikh Policemen. Probably

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY. holders was held on the 15th instant, when inoffensive people, whose only crime is that Adams, Dixwell, Vaucher, Newton, G. Sharp,

observations on the conduct and condition of modern conversion,) and the religion also which | The CHAIRMAN, after referring to the Reyourselves and your countrymen profess and port, stated that a note had been received from revers. Nor was this the measure of Ewakura's Viscount do Cercal, to the effect that he was haughtiness; he further stated in reply to the too much indisposed to attend. If any share-Ministers that, "If, in the future, they (the holders had any remarks to make with re-

> deir former orders," and our Ministers were Mr. Wicking said he thought the amount In Europe, there are but two ways for a compelled to listen to, and put up with this paid for Marine and Fire Insurance was exces- sovereign to move among his people, either barbarian's insolence; Why P Because at that sive, considering the very small risk. They time Lord Charendon was alive, and at the head were now paying \$22,000 to \$23,000 a year, i.e., in state. If the latter, there is never wanting of English foreign affairs, by whom a reticence in five years over \$100,000, and yet there had that pound and ceremony which betokens the on such matters was held as subservient to state | been no loss within the last five years to justify expediency, and the other Powers, it would any such outlay. The risk in fact was almost seem, were well pleased to have such a prece. nothing, and it was not to the interests of the dent to follow. As to the late government of shareholders to continue the premis. He would France and its representatives, their actions | suggest that the Company should take the risk

that purpose if necessary. But now the scene is changed, and the bigot. Mr. DIXWELL said that on the other hand

pany should take the rigks on an underwriting One thing there is which excites our as. Inccount. Had there been any losses during the

Mr. Wicking said he would put his sugges-

Ladies of America to know, that this The CHAIRMAN said it had been spent or Ewakura, the first Ambassador, is the de. the Kiukiang, and the new boilers for the we are now beholding, and which has been |. The CHAIRMAN then moved, seconded by

even far worse than either bondage or death. Adams, that Messes. Hart and Blakeman be

Dr. Johnston remarked that more amuse- wives and innocent daughters of his Christian The CHAIRMAN then announced with reference works as are at Yokoska, or to learn anything victims! while their fathers, husbands, and to Mr. Wicking's observations, that the Marino brothers are handed over by his orders to the Insurance was on \$162,000, the premium being ruthless torturers of the government, with the \$13,000 per annum, and the Fire Insurance on puths through the various workshops. Such The Canteen has been leased to the Steward there bad been an alley, but it had decayed and option of recantation or a lingering and ornel \$205,000, the premium being \$10,250 per for the sum of three hundred dollars, from 1st been milled down.

Hon. Mr. de Long, U. S. Minister, in his des- Mr. Wicking said he should propose to leave patch to Mr. Secretary Fish, January 22nd. only the Fire Insurance as at present. He considered the Marine risk almost nothing. The CHAIRMAN said that on more than one

> the captain's skill. Mr. Wicking thought the Company could generally command skill in its captains, as their salaries were high enough. Dr. Adams asked whether the question of discontinuing the Insurance had been before

the Directors. Mr. WELLER said it had been mooted every Mr. Wicking then proposed a resolution to the effect that it is not to the interests of the shareholders to pay the present large premium for Marine Insurance, considering that the risk

is **6**0 smull. Mr. ROGERSON seconded the motion. Mr. HITCHCOCK thought if the Company had large reserve. Mr. Wicking's proposition enough risk in taking balf.

Dr. Adams said Mr. Wicking appeared to be taking for granted that because for five years PHCENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY there had been no loss, it was probable there would be no loss in the future. If this were ITIHE Undersigned having been appointed the first meeting of the Company, would be not advocate paying the Insurance P Mr. Wicking said he would.

Dr. Adams thought in that case he ought on Goods stored therein. Mr. Butcher-And distressed subjects to the to conciliate Him and His followers it was necessary to logically to do so now, as losses were accidental after all. If he had any objection to the

The Chairman said British subjects were not secutions which the poor native Christians are amount of the Insurance, the meeting should being daily subjected to in Nagasaki, and to be called upon to memorialise the Insurance Mr. WELLER -That would be useless.

> Captain GILLSON could state from experience that the risk was very great, and he proposed that the mattir remain as at present. Dr. ADAMS seconded this amontment, which was put and carried by 15 to 2. The original resolution was therefore lost.

The CHAIRMAN appounced the dividends would be payable on Thursday next. Mr. Wrokens proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

The Report is as follows :--

Beport to be presented at the Ordinary hulfyearly Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Office of the General Agents at Hongkonz, 15th January, 1872. The Board of Directors have now the plensure of submitting to you their report upon the offnire of the Company for the half-year

en ling December 31st, 1871; The acc unts laid before you herewith, show that after paying all commissions, running expouser, salaries, premia of Insurance, a heavy am mut for repairs and all other outgoings to the Bist December, and including \$6.658.04 brought forward from the last statement, there remains a profit of \$84,948. 2. The Directors Reserve Fund \$30,000; to a Dividend at the \$48.000: and to their own remuneration \$2,500: leaving \$4.448.12 to be carried forward to a new account.

The amount expended for repairs has been aid out chiefly upon the Kinkiana and upon new boilers for the White Cloud. The former has been put in complete order, the whole. of her topsides having been renewed and her boilers and machinery thoroughly overhauled. The gross earnings of the boats, after deduoting those of the Spark, show an increase as compared with the same period last year. The new Iron Steamer, which was authorized to be built by the last General Meeting. has been contracted for in England, and is to be completed in eight months from date of contruct. She will have all the modern improvements for economizing coal, &c., and will be specially adapted for a night boat, and for carrying freight as well as passengers.
The accounts have been audited by Mr. J.

Hart and Mr. A. N. Blakeman, both of whom retire from office at this meeting, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Viscount do Cercal.

VISIT OF THE MIKADO OF JAPAN TO

Hongkong, January 11th, 1872.

YOKOSKA, (Japan Mail, Jan. 6th.) On Monday last the Mikado paid his promis. ed visit to Yokoska. He was attended by a number of his own immediate retainers and by several of his Ministers. There was in attendance a body guard numbering about two hundred, dressed in gundy uniforms, who perform. ed the usual duties of such a corps in a tolerably systematic and organized manner. Ho inspected the various workshops which were

all in full working order, saw the practical use of the graving dock and patent slip, laid the foundation stone for a second dock to be constructed, and after two nights sojourn at Yokoska, returned to Yedo on Wednesday. About the Arsentl everything was as trim and in good order as it was possible to make it. Raised platforms were placed at every point from which a good view of the operations could be got. They were tastefully decorated with holly, and approached by paths laid with clean sawdust. Once more were the ponderous steam hammers and the elaborate machinery put to their unaccustomed uses. Again were the capacious cupolars filled with molten metal which was run into moulds ingeniously made for the occasion; one mould representing in leviathan oburacters "Long live the Mikado:" another being a monster Mikado's crest, While pouring the iron into the latter, the to a gentleman in the Colony for \$3,000, and sand being slightly damp, the living metal

rebelled, and with a loud explosion scattered itself in all directions, on the head of the Mikado himself and those surrounding it might be considered that this amount could him. He stood the shower of molten iron without flinching, but others rushed pell mell from the spot, and several were rather severely burnt. The processes of bending iron plates hot and cold, of rivetting boilers, drilling holes, of turning shafts, and cylinders, of planing The Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Share the surfaces, of iron steam saw mills, planing will be introduced on his mission, are the ideas there were present Messre. Deacon (in the full working order. A noble specimen of the entertained by himself and his government chair). Sage, Weller, Downs, Wicking, Roger- old style of naval architecture, the Tiptree of a "mild treatment" to a loyal, orderly, and son, Jackson, Head, Hart, Notley, Gillson, was floated out of the graving dock, and a small but handsome steamer, the Tomio Maru was run off the natent slip. On the whole the greatest credit is due to Mons. Verny and the other officials at the Arsenal for the ingenious

and complete manner in which the exhibition There is something, however, in this visit of the Mikado very eaggestive of by the country over which he presides. incomito and unofficially, or ceremonially and presence of Majesty. But when we come to remember that this personage, the Mikado, is not only supreme ruler of the country, but is also supposed to be the spiritual head of its religion, and that but a few months ago only a dozen Europeans had been allowed to see him. and that, even now, it is bard to make an ordinary Japanese believe that he can be seen unveiled and without disguise, it is a rude blow to the traditions of the country when he apbears, as he did the other day, surrounded by a mixed crowd of inquisitive gazers, and

of his nobles. As an official ceremony there was entirely wanting that majestic pomp and display which usually denotes the presence of royalty, and there was a complete absence of the humble and oringing form of showing respect which is customary and was until lately obligatory in Japan; yet there were signs that it was intend; ed as such. The Mikado was attended by a regiment of soldiers; he came from Yedo in ironolad, accompained by three other men of war, and on arrival was saluted by a French man-of-war then in barbour. When landing, each vessel in the barbour manned yards and cheered him lustily, and on stepping on shore be passed through a line of soldiers to the apartments provided for him. To make the Mikado a myth, a mystery, and a being whom it is unlawful to set eyes upon, is no doubt a barbarism, but to leap from that to his being

hustled about in propria persona by a miscellancous crowd, is too sudden a change to be healthy, and there is in it not sufficient consideration for the beliefs and traditions of the people. Besides, to examine with interest such from them, cannot be done in state sitting on decorated thrones and walking over sawdust works can only be understood by strolling through them at lessure, unaccompained by any crowd of followers.

If the Mikado wishes to gratify his curiosity by socing any of the public works or other objects of interest in the country, he should occasion the boat had been nearly lost on the certainly do so incognite and privately, but if a rocke at Canton, and had only been saved by state ceremony be determined on, his councillors should punctiliously demand from natives all those signs of respect for royalty which are usual in Japan, and from Europeans those oustomary in Europe. This seemingly burning desire which has lately seized the Japanese mind utterly to descard all old notions and prejudices must lead to danger, and cannot be too strongly checked.

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ALFRED LISTER. Secretary. Supreme Court House, 1st January, 1872.

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of the 10th year Toong-chee, (27th December,

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they are permitted to build tenements thereon.

for the purpose of letting, and otherwise to

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over, and accordingly that they shall have per-

given to all parties whom it may concern.

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YOW WO TUNG.

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Hongkong, January 12th, 1872.

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A mail will close. For Swatow, Amoy, and Foodhow .-- Per Yes-

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for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 25th inst.

'Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 24th instant. The Post-Office will be open until 6 P.M. on led Preserves has caused some impudent and the 24th instant. Letters, &c., may be posted during the night in the box left open for their reception. Letters for registration will be received until

means), to apply the name of "CHY LOONG" Letters for registration witte their own inferior Goods. Thus the Public 10 A.M. on the 25th instant. Letters may be posted until 10 A.M. on the disposed who will be punished by the visitation | 25th instant, without late fee. Letters posted after 10 A.M. on the 25th to send their orders direct to our establishment instant, will not be forwarded unless the at Canton, Honam, and this is the only way in Late Fee of 18 cents each as well as the postage The Latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 10 A.M. on the 25th instant.

THE Proprietor of Wing-KEE Shop begs to from II.30 A.M. to the time of sailing, on payinform the Public that his Shop has been ment of a Late Fee of 48 cents each in addition established since 1855, at Endicott's Lane, and to the postage. F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster Genera

Late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom wil Brindisi, or to Sin-

gapore, may be posted on board the Packet

masters wishing to patronice him, are requested General Post-Office. Hongkong, 12th January, 1872. MAILS BY THE "FRENCH PACKET! The French Mail Packet "PEIHO," will be dispatched on THURSDAY, the 1st February, at noon, with the Maile-To Saigon, Singapore, Point de Galle, India,

Aden, Seychelles, Reunion and Mauritius, Suez, Alexandrin, France and other Continental States (in a closed mail to France), and to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles. Letters for Registration will be received Carbon, and is admitted to be fully equal to the best English North Country Coal for steaming antil 10 A.M. on the 1st February. The Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Newspapers, Books, &c.

until II A.M. on the 1st February, after which no Letters can be received. Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 31st instant. F. W. MITCHELL.

Postmaster General.

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General Post Office. Hongkong, 24th January, 1872. British Columbia having become a part of the Dominion of Canada, all correspondence for that Province (including that for Vanconver's Island,) will henceforth be chargeable

with the same rates of Postage, and will be

subject to the same regulations of transmission, as correspondence for other parts of Canada, For each half paper or price Current. THE HOUSEHOLD COMPANION When sent viå Southampton, When sent via Brindisi,.. 34 By Dr. DEVAN, with many Additions, Correc-When sent per French Packet,.... For each & ounces Registration of Books or Packets of Patterns. When sent viâ Southamp-FT is hereby notified that the interest, and L connexion of Messre. Lo Wing Choon When sent via Brindisi,... 18 and Lo Yu Yow, with the undersigned firm When sent per French censed from the 1st of May, 1871, and that the Packet..... undersigned will not hold himself RESPON-F. W. MITCHELL,

the said Lo Wing Choon and Lo Y'll Yow of General Post Office, Hongkong, 15th January, 1872. It is hereby notified that henceforward the following Rates of Postage will be charged THE offices of the Undersigned, and His Ne-therlands Majesty's Consulate, have this upon Correspondence forwarded from Hongkong, or any of the British Post Office Agencies day been REMOVED to the pramises formerin China and Japan, by BRITISH MAIL ly occupied by Messrs: MELCHERS & Co., at PACKETS, via Brindisi, to the undermentioned the junction of Graham and Wellington Streets. Countries, viz. :--

> 16 cents for each 1 oz (Italy..... Switzerland The German States, Belgium..... The Netherlands Denmark..... Heligoland Sweden..... Norway For a Newspoper For each four ounces of Book Packets and Packets of Patterns 6 cts.i

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The prepayment of the postage on ordinary Letters is optional. The postage on registered Letters must be prepaid: the charge for registration being the same sum as the postage on each Letter. The prepayment of the postage on Newspapers, other printed papers and Packets of Patterne is compulsory

Postmaster General. General Post-Office,

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1871. It is hereby notified for general information, that henceforward the rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, chargeable upon Book and Pattern Packets posted at Hongkong, or at any of the British Postal Agencies in China and Japan, to be forwarded by the British Contract Mail Packets to the Australian Colonies and New Zealand, will be as follows,

For a Packet not exceeding 1 ounce in weight...... 2 cents For a Packet above I ounce and not exceeding 2 ounces 4 ,, For a Packet above 2 ounces and not exceeding 4 ounces...... 8 , For a Packet above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces......16

and so on, adding 8 cents for every additional I. W. MITCHELL. Postmaster General. General Post Office.

Hongkong 16th June, 1870. It is hereby notified for general information that on and after the 1st August next, the Commission chargeable on Money Orders issued upon the United Kingdom at Hongkong.

On sums not exceeding \$2..........18 cents. Above £2 and not exceeding £5...36 , Above £5 and not exceeding £7...54 Above £7 and not exceeding £10..72 F. W. MITCHELL.

Postmaster General. General Post Office, Hongkong, 15th July, 1870.

Arrangements having been made under which Mails for London arriving at Sucz from China by Private Ships will be forwarded to destination via Brindisi, it is hereby notified that the rates of postage, which must be paid in advance, on correspondence addressed to the United Kingdom so forwarded, will be as fol-

For Letters......24 cents per half ounce! For Newspapers...... 8 , cach. Inot exceeding lounce 4 cents. for Books and Patterns.... every additional 4 , 12 , F. W. MITCHELL.

Postmaster General. General Post Office. Hongkong, 20th December, 1871.

It is berely notified that the post ge chargeable upon Paid Letters addressed to France. petual possession of the same. This will also quired; all Packages should be marked to ad. will henceforward be 12 cents per quarter ounce, when forwarded by French Mail Packet, and 18 cents per quarter ounce when forwarded by British Muil Packet. F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General

General Post Office. Hongkong, 20th December, 1871.

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